PRICE ONE PENNY.

The Sydney Morning Herald.

No. 17,709. {Registered at the General Post Office, Sydney, for transmission by post as a Newspaper.

SYDNEY, FRIDAY, DECEMBER 21, 1894.

PRICE 1d.

Births.

BOOSE.—December 2, at Bathurst, the wife of Dr. Brooke Boose, of a daughter.

Marriages.

BOLLENHAGEN—TAYLOR.—November 29, at Glenalvon, Murrurundi, by the Rev. W. Fraser, Alfred Bollenhagen, of Hamburg, to Sophia, third daughter of John Taylor, Glenalvon, Murrurundi.

EVERETT—HICKSON.—December 19, at St. Mary's, Waverley, Wm. F. Everett, youngest son of the late George Everett, Bournemouth, England, and Ollara, New England, to Charlotte, eldest daughter of R. R. F. Hickson, The Pines, Bondi.

SUMMERS—THOMPSON.—December 12, at St. John's Church, Melbourne, by the Rev. Canon Chase, assisted by the Rev. C. Bleben, William Summers, M.I.N.A., of Southampton, to Millicent Phoebe, daughter of the late Jas Thompson, M.D., of London.

Deaths.

COHEN.—November 15, at his residence, Synagogue Chambers, Great Saint Helens, Rev. Isaac Cohen, the dearly-beloved father of Louis I. Cohen, 13 Nithsdale-street, Sydney, aged 59 years. May his soul rest in peace.

GRAFT.—December 19, at his late residence, Mountfort, 49 Great Buckingham-street, Redfern, James, eldest son of the late James Strutt, of Redfern, leaving a wife and 10 children to mourn their irreparable loss, aged 53.

In Memoriam.

COHEN.—In memory of Hannah, the beloved wife of Harris Cohen, J.P., who departed her life on 21st December, 1890, leaving a large young family to mourn her loss.

HILL.—In fond and loving remembrance of my dear nephew, Edward F. Hill, who departed this life 21st December, 1891. Inserted by his loving aunt, Mrs. Mary O'Donnell.

LYONS.—In loving remembrance of my dear-beloved mother, Catherine Lyons, who departed this life the 21st December, 1882. Dead, but not forgotten. Inserted by her eldest son and daughter-in-law, Judah and Rachel Lyons.

LYTHGO.—In sad and fond remembrance of my dear husband, Thomas Henry Lythgo, who died December 21, 1893, of heart disease. Deeply lamented. Inserted by his widow and niece. L. E. Lythgo.

PLUMMER.—December 21, 1893, at Leicester, England, John Plummer (father of John Plummer, journalist, Sydney), aged 68. Also, early in 1894, in England, R. Lees (uncle of John Plummer), aged 70.

WHITEHEAD.—In loving memory of my dear husband, David Whitehead, who departed this life December 21, 1892. Gone, but not forgotten.

WHITEHEAD.—In loving memory of David Whitehead, who departed this life December 21, 1892. Inserted by his loving daughter, Janet M'Lean, and his loving step-daughters, Mary Beck and Sarah Ann Morgan.

Florists.

XMAS FESTIVITIES.—SHARLAND have a large assortment of Decorative Plants, beautiful Flowers, and Xmas Trees at gift prices. Call early. 109 King-street.

CHRISTMAS DECORATIONS.—Lovely FLOWERS and Graceful Plants at HARRIET BROS., Vice-Regal Florists, 197 KING-STREET and 31 SYDNEY ARCADE. Telephone, 1259.

SEEDS AND PLANTS.—"BEST OF EVERYTHING" for Garden and Farm. ANDERSON and CO., Seedsmen, Pitt-street.

SHEPHERD and CO., No. 6 THE STRAND.—Visit our CITY BRANCH for Artistic BRIDAL SUITES, WREATHS, SPRAYS, Plants and Seed. Telephone, 825, ask for Darling Nursery (estab. 68 years).

SPECIAL XMAS PARCELS SOLD BY GRIFFITHS BROS., opposite Town Hall, Sydney. No. 1, price 7s 6d, contains 5lb. Caddy Choice TEA. No. 2, price 10s, contains 5lb. Choice TEA, 1lb. freshly-roasted COFFEE, and 1lb. COCOA, all in Canisters. No 3, price 19s 6d—10lb. very Choice TEA, 2lb. freshly-roasted COFFEE, and 1lb. COCOA, all in Canisters. Satisfaction Guaranteed, or Money Refunded.

LAST Two Days, SALE of PLANTS, &c. Thomas Staley, 359 George-st.

WHY FLOWERS DO NOT GET ON. From the want of proper holding up. Questions lying over the ground. Rainstorms scattered all over the place. Roses straggling everywhere. Use Wire Flower Trainers. We are making a new Circular Folding Trainer, folds up, as he made any size. A grand thing for holding up carnation. Price 1s 6d each, very strong. Useful Arches for all climbers. Wire Balloon for asparagus, ferns, &c. Wire Trainers for fuchsias, 1s each. Hanging Wire Baskets, 6d each.

EASTWAY BROTHERS, 411 George-street, between King and Market streets.

INSURE YOUR LIFE. Parents, induce your sons to take out a LIFE POLICY in the LIVERPOOL and LONDON and GLOBE INSURANCE COMPANY. "The Great Fire and Life Insurance Company of the World." The Company has created a new Life Insurance Table, specially adapted for young people receiving small salaries, with good future prospects. It should also be taken advantage of by those who have had, owing to the crisis, to surrender policies in other companies. "ONLY HALF THE AMOUNT OF ORDINARY PREMIUM RATES AS PAYABLE DURING THE FIRST FIVE YEARS." Bonuses of full amount insured in the event of death after payment of first premium. Full particulars obtainable at Head Office for Australia, Pitt and Spring-streets, Sydney. M. W. S. CLARKE, Resident Secretary.

Shipping.

PENINSULAR AND ORIENTAL S. N. COMPANY.

The Royal Mail Steamships of the above Company will be despatched from Circular Quay (Macquarie Point) and not Melbourne and Adelaide on the following dates at 4000 :—

FOR LONDON, touching at the usual intermediate ports en route.

Steamer.	Commander.	Leave Sydney.	Leave Melbourne.	Leave Adelaide.
				1895.
*Rosetta ... 4918	R. Harvey ...	Dec. 22	Dec. 29	Jan. 2
		1895.	1895.	
Rhodes ... 6004	A.W. Adamson	Jan. 7	Jan. 13	Jan. 16
Bothnia ... 4748	T. S. Angus ...	Jan. 21	Jan. 28	Jan. 30
Arcadia ... 6962	A. C. Lourin ...	Feb. 4	Feb. 9	Feb. 13
Valetta ... 4894	G. Atkinson ...	Feb. 18	Feb. 25	Feb. 27
Ionic ... 5548	A. R. Daniell ...	Mar. 4	Mar. 9	Mar. 13
Peninsula 4771	P. Harris ...	Mar. 18	Mar. 23	Mar. 27

And thereafter every alternate week.
*The Rosetta will leave the wharf at 3 p.m.

RATES OF PASSAGE-MONEY TO LONDON :—
First Saloon ... ... £60 to £70
Second Saloon £35, £37, £40
Return Tickets ... ... £65 to £110

TO INDIA.
First Saloon, Single ... £40 Return ... £60
Second Saloon, Single ... £20 Return ... £30
Passage-money can be paid here for passages from England.

THROUGH TICKETS Round the World, via Vancouver, in connection with Canadian-Australian Company, RR, and Canadian Pacific Line, via China, Japan, and Canada, £135.

For further particulars apply at the Company's Offices, near Pitt and Bridge streets.

G. DOUGLAS MICHIE, Agent.

DEUTSCH-AUSTRALISCHE DAMPFSCHIFFE-GESELLSCHAFT (German-Australian S.S. Company).

TO ANTWERP AND HAMBURG, VIA SUEZ CANAL.

It is intended to despatch S.S. STARNBERG on 31st DECEMBER.

For freight and all particulars apply to H. W. HENDERSON, General Agent for Australasia.

8 Pitt-street.

MESSAGERIES MARITIMES.

SYDNEY TO LONDON, via PARIS.
Steamers of 6500 tons, under postal contract with the French Government, calling at MELBOURNE, ADELAIDE, ALBANY, MAHE, ADEN, SUEZ, and PORT SAID, will be despatched monthly as follows :—

Steamer.	Commandt'r.	Date of Departure. Sydney Noon.	Melbourne 6 p.m.	Adelaide 1 p.m.
AUSTRALIEN	Didier ...	Dec. 29	On or about Dec 31 ...	Jan. 3
VILLE DE LA CIOTAT	Pisachi ...	Jan. 27	Jan. 31 ...	Feb. 2
DANTHERIEN	L. Boulard	Feb. 25	March 1 ...	Mar. 3
ARMAND BEHIC	Poydenot ...	Mar. 27	March 31 ...	April 1

Passengers booked to BOMBAY, REUNION, MAURITIUS, and EAST COAST OF AFRICA.
Rates of Passage to London :—FIRST SALOON, £60 to £80, including table wines. Liberal concessions to families.
RETURN TICKETS, available from 9 to 12 months, at REDUCED RATES.—ENGLISH SPOKEN ON BOARD.
Passengers' luggage conveyed free of cost to London by Company.
ORDINARY RETURN TICKETS. FIRST-CLASS, between Sydney, Melbourne, and Adelaide, issued by this Company, or by the Railway Offices, are interchangeable for return by Rail or by Sea.
For further particulars apply at the Company's Office, 15 Macquarie-place.

E. BLANC, Principal Agent.

STEAM TO DUNKIRK AND LONDON
THE ANGLO-AUSTRALASIAN S. N. COMPANY'S, Limited.
Full-powered Steamship PORT PHILLIP, 2000 Tons, C. GREY, Master, will have prompt despatch.
For rates of freight or passage apply to GIBBS, BRIGHT, and CO., 37 Pitt-street.

THE ANGLO-AUSTRALASIAN S. N. COMPANY.
STEAM to ANTWERP and HAMBURG.
The full-powered Steamship PORT ELIOT will have prompt despatch.
For freight or passage apply to GIBBS, BRIGHT, and CO., Managing Agents.

LADIES, come and see a Xmas Dinner at HOLDSWORTH MACPHERSON'S Window, near Bridge-street.

ORIENT LINE OF ROYAL MAIL STEAMERS.

The following Royal Mail Steamships belonging to the ORIENT and PACIFIC COMPANIES will leave SYDNEY as soon as the undermentioned dates for PLYMOUTH and LONDON (Tilbury), via Melbourne, Adelaide, Albany, Colombo (transhipping for all Indian ports), and the Suez Canal, calling at Naples and Gibraltar :—

ORIENT ...	5363 tons	H. E. Inskip	Dec. 31
			1895.
ORMUZ ...	6031 ,,	H. G. Darby	Jan. 14
OROTAVA ...	5532 ,,	J. Linklater	Jan. 28
ORUBA ...	5532 ,,	Lindsay Hay	Feb. 11
CUZCO ...	7918 ,,	J. F. Anderson ...	Feb. 25
AUSTRAL ...	5524 ,,	F. M. Tuke, R.N.R. ...	Mar. 11
OPHIR ...	6910 ,,	J. F. Ruthven ...	Mar. 25

And Fortnightly thereafter.

PASSAGE MONEY, £70 to £13 13s.

Facilities are afforded for bringing out friends and relatives from London by the prepayment of passage-money.

MANAGERS: F. GREEN and CO. and ANDERSON, ANDERSON, and CO., Fenchurch-avenue, London, E.C. Full particulars on application to DAVID ANDERSON, General Manager in Australia. 43 Pitt-street.

COOK'S Tours (all routes) to Europe.—Great facilities, trouble saved, travelling made easy. 4 Hunter-st.

TO GREAT BRITAIN AND EUROPE, A. and A. ROUTE.

ROYAL MAIL EXPRESS SERVICE.

Avoiding alike the heat of the Red Sea and the cold of Cape Horn.

Under contract with the Governments of New South Wales, New Zealand, and United States, the steamers of this line leave Sydney and Auckland for Apia (Samoa), Honolulu, and San Francisco every four weeks, as under :—

Steamer.	Commander.	Sydney, 4 p.m.	Auckland, 2 p.m.	Arrive at 'Frisco.
ALAMEDA	Morse ...	Dec. 24	Dec. 29 ...	Jan. 17
MARIPOSA	Hayward	Jan. 21	Jan. 26 ...	Feb. 14
ARAWA	Stuart ...	Feb. 18	Feb. 23 ...	Mar. 14

Passengers booked to all the principal parts of EUROPE, UNITED STATES, and CANADA AT LOWEST FARES.

including stop-over privileges at any point, choice of railway routes and Atlantic steamers.

To San Francisco, Saloon—Single £40 0 0, Return £80 0 0
To S. Francisco, Fore Cabin ... 16 0 0, Return 30 0 0
To England, Saloon—Single, from £66 0 0
To England, Saloon—Return 105 0 0
To England, Combination Ticket—Single, from 52 10 0
Round the World, 1st Class all the way, return-ing by Orient or P. and O. Lines, from London, via Suez, or N.Z. Shipping Co., or Shaw, Savill, and Albion Co., via South Africa, or vice versa 125 0 0

TIME CARDS, railway maps, guide books showing routes to all points, rates of passage, and all other information on application at the offices of the Union Steam Ship Co. of N.Z., Ltd., 15 Bridge-street; or Passenger Office, Moore-street, near G.P.O.

UNION STEAM SHIP COMPANY OF NEW ZEALAND, Limited,
will despatch Steamers from their Wharves, Margaret and Sussex streets, as follow :—

NEW ZEALAND.
For AUCKLAND, GISBORNE, NAPIER, WELLINGTON, LYTTELTON, DUNEDIN, and BLUFF, thence to HOBART and MELBOURNE (transhipping to outports) :—
S.S. TE ANAU, WEDNESDAY, December 26, at 10 a.m.
S.S. MAEAROA, WEDNESDAY, January 2, at 4 p.m.

For WELLINGTON, LYTTELTON, and DUNEDIN (transhipping to outports) :—
S.S. WAKATIPU, THIS DAY, at 4 p.m.
S.S. HAUROTO, FRIDAY, December 28, at 4 p.m.

TASMANIA.
For HOBART Direct :—
S.S. OONAH, THIS DAY, at 7 p.m. (See special advt.)
Passengers and Cargo booked through to STRAHAN.
For LAUNCESTON via EDEN :—
S.S. PUKAKI, THURSDAY, January 3, at noon.
S.S. PUKAKI, THURSDAY, January 17, at noon.

SOUTH SEA ISLANDS.
For SUVA (Fiji), APIA (Samoa), VAVAU, HAAPAI, and NUKUALOFA (Tonga) :—
S.S. UPOLU, THURSDAY, January 17.
For SUVA Direct :—
S.S. OHAU, SATURDAY, December 22.

From MELBOURNE.
NEW ZEALAND PORTS and HOBART :—
S.S. MONOWAI, THURSDAY, December 27, at 2 p.m.

LAUNCESTON, TUESDAYS and FRIDAYS.
DEVONPORT, BURNIE, and STANLEY, every THURSDAY.
STRAHAN (Zeehan Silver Fields), every TUESDAY.

WEST COAST SOUNDS EXCURSIONS.
The Company's steamer Stag Tarawera will make two trips to the world-famed West Coast Sounds of New Zealand during the present Summer Season. The first steamer will leave DUNEDIN on 17th January, and the second on 30th January.
FARE FROM PORT CHALMERS, £12.

For full particulars apply at Company's Offices, 15 Bridge-street, or Branch Passenger Office, Moore-street, near G.P.O.

TASMANIA.
EXCURSION SEASON.
HOBART EXHIBITION.
The Favourite Steamers OONAH, ROTOMAHANA, and PUKAKI will be despatched at short intervals as under :—

S.S. OONAH, 1800 tons,
TO HOBART, December 21 at 7 p.m.; 31; January 9.
LEAVE HOBART, December 17, 26; January 5, 15.

S.S. ROTOMAHANA, 1800 tons,
TO HOBART, December 21; January 5, 15.
LEAVE HOBART, December 21; January 2, 11, 21.

S.S. PUKAKI, 1500 tons,
TO LAUNCESTON, January 3 } and at fortnightly
LEAVE LAUNCESTON, December 27 } intervals thereafter

SALOON and STEERAGE TICKETS issued for the single and return journey including rail between Hobart and Launceston.

ROUND TICKETS are issued Sydney to Hobart including rail to Launceston, steamer to Melbourne, thence by steamer to Sydney. Passengers have option of returning direct by steamer, Launceston to Sydney.

NOTE.—The ROTOMAHANA, leaving on December 24 and January 5 and 15, proceeds through to Melbourne, returning to Sydney via Hobart, making the round trip in eight to ten days.

For further particulars apply to UNION STEAM SHIP COMPANY, 15 Bridge-street, or Branch Office, Moore-street.

NORDDEUTSCHER LLOYD.
IMPERIAL GERMAN MAIL.

Passengers are carried according to the requirements of the English Passengers Acts of 1855 and 1863.
MONTHLY LINE OF DIRECT STEAMERS from SYDNEY, MELBOURNE, and ADELAIDE to SOUTHAMPTON, ANTWERP, and BREMEN, viâ COLOMBO, Aden, Suez, Port Said, Naples, and Genoa, connecting from GENOA and SOUTHAMPTON DIRECT to NEW YORK, will be despatched as follows (if practicable) :—

Steamer.	Tns	Commander.	Leave Sydney, noon.	Leave Melbourne.	Leave Ad'Pide S'mph.
			1895.	1895.	1895.
Hahsburg ...	3217	J. Reeben ...	Jan. 2	Jan. 5	Jan. 9
Oldenburg ...	3316	R. Reintze ...	Jan. 29	Feb. 2	Feb. 6
Salier ...	3214	D. Koolen-beek ...	Feb. 27	March 2	March 6
Prinz Regent Luitpold ...	6930	H. Gathe-mann ...	Mar. 25	Mar. 30	April 2
Sachsen ...	5348	H. Sumper ...	April 22	April 27	May 1
Karlsruhe ...	5347	W. von Schuckmann	May 20	May 25	May 29

And thereafter every four weeks.
PASSAGE MONEY FROM SYDNEY.
£12 to £67 10s to Southampton.
RETURN TICKETS available for NINE and TWELVE MONTHS at REDUCED RATES.
SPECIE TAKEN DIRECT TO LONDON.
Passengers and cargo are booked through to New York, via Southampton.
Special facilities are afforded for bringing out relatives and friends from the United Kingdom and Europe by prepayment of the passage money in Australia.
DIRECT THREE-WEEKLY SERVICE BETWEEN GENOA AND NEW YORK BY VERY FAST STEAMERS.

J. MERGELL, General Agent for Australasia, Exchanges Corner, 65 Pitt-street.

ABERDEEN WHITE STAR LINE.

STEAM FOR CAPETOWN AND LONDON.
The following magnificent steamers will leave SYDNEY for CAPETOWN, TENERIFFE, and LONDON as follows :—

Name of Steamer.	Commander.	Tons Regr.	Date. About
NINEVEH ...	N. Allan ...	4000	Jan. 4
DAMASCUS ...	A. Douglas, R.N.R.	3700	Feb. 1

The above have splendid accommodation, and will carry a surgeon and stewardess.
Passengers by this route to London will avoid the heat of the Red Sea.
For freight and passage money apply to DALGETY and COMPANY, Limited, Agents, 1 Bent-street.

STEAM TO LONDON.
VIA THE SUEZ CANAL.
The fine full-powered Steamship CROWN OF ARRAGON, 2287 Tons Gross Register, J. G. DORWARD, Commander, loading at Dalgety's Wharf, and having large engagements, will have prompt despatch.
For terms of Freight apply to DALGETY and CO., Limited, 1 Bent-street.

STEAM to SHELLHARBOUR.—S.S. PETERBOROUGH leaves Caledonian Wharf THIS NIGHT at 9. No cargo received after 5.

JOHN AUBIN, Agent.

CHRISTMAS NUMBER of the SYDNEY MAIL Now Ready. Price 6d.

CANADIAN-AUSTRALIAN ROYAL MAIL LINE.

AUSTRALIA TO EUROPE, via FIJI, HONOLULU, VANCOUVER, through CANADA and the UNITED STATES.

BURNS, PHILP, and CO., Limited, Managing Agents in Australia, beg to call the attention of Travellers to this NEW AND ATTRACTIVE ROUTE in connection with the CANADIAN PACIFIC RAILWAY, which combines smooth-water voyage with interesting ports of call. The journey across Canada by the Canadian Pacific Railway is through the most magnificent scenery in the world.

R.M.S.	Tons.	Leave Sydney, 4 p.m.	Arrive Vancouver.	Leave Vancouver.
Warrimoo ...	3300	Jan. 18	Feb. 9	Feb. 16
Miowera ...	3300	Feb. 15	Mar. 12	Mar. 16

Thereafter MONTHLY.

THROUGH TICKETS ISSUED to all Points in CANADA, UNITED STATES, and CONTINENT OF EUROPE.

For List of ROUND-THE-WORLD TOURS, Maps, Guide Books, and all information regarding rates of passage, &c., apply to BURNS, PHILP, and CO., Limited, 10 Bridge-street.

A. U. S. N. CO., Ld.

ROYAL MAIL COASTAL SERVICE.
FROM WHARFS, MARGARET AND SUSSEX STREETS.

FOR MELBOURNE	Aruwatta, Monday, 5 p.m., Dec. 24
ADELAIDE ...	Warroonga, Friday, 5 p.m., Dec. 28
W. AUSTRALIAN PORTS	Aruwatta, Monday, 5 p.m., Dec. 24 (Change at Melbourne).
BRISBANE	Warroonga, Friday, 5 p.m., Dec. 28 (See special advt. below.)
MARYBOROUGH	Eurimbla, Saturday, 11 a.m., Dec. 22
BUNDABERG	Eurimbla, Saturday, 11 a.m., Dec. 22
GLADSTONE	Aramac, Wed'day, 11 a.m., Dec. 26
ROCKHAMPTON	Eurimbla, Saturday, 11 a.m., Dec. 22
MACKAY	Aramac, Wed'day, 11 a.m., Dec. 26
BOWEN	Aramac, Wed'day, 11 a.m., Dec. 26
TOWNSVILLE ...	Aramac, Wed'day, 11 a.m., Dec. 26 (Change at Townsville).
CARDWELL	Aramac, Wed'day, 11 a.m., Dec. 26
MOURILYAN	Aramac, Wed'day, 11 a.m., Dec. 26
JOHNSTONE'S RIV.	Aramac, Wed'day, 11 a.m., Dec. 26
CAIRNS	Aramac, Wed'day, 11 a.m., Dec. 26
PORT DOUGLAS	Aramac, Wed'day, 11 a.m., Dec. 26
COOKTOWN	Aramac, Wed'day, 11 a.m., Dec. 26
THURSDAY I'LD	Aramac, Wed., 11 a.m., Dec. 26
NORMANTON	(Change at Cooktown).
BURKETOWN	
NOUMEA	
SUVA	Victoria, Thursday, 5 p.m., Dec. 27.
LEVUKA } FIJI	

The Accommodation of this Company's First-class Steamers is unequalled, and inspection is cordially invited.

Reduced Fares and Freights to all Ports.

SECOND CABIN FARES TO
BRISBANE ... 10s
MARYBOROUGH ... 20s
ROCKHAMPTON ... 30s
MACKAY ... 45s
TOWNSVILLE ... 80s.

Full particulars apply to BURNS, PHILP, and CO., Limited, Agents, 10 Bridge-street.

COOLGARDIE.
WEST AUSTRALIAN GOLDFIELDS.
A.U.S.N. COMPANY, Limited.
DIRECT FROM SYDNEY.
For FREMANTLE and GERALDTON.
THE S.S. WARROONGA, 2513 tons,
FRIDAY, 5 p.m., DECEMBER 28,
via MELBOURNE, ADELAIDE, and ALBANY.
LOWEST FARES and FREIGHTS.
Particulars on application to BURNS, PHILP, and CO., Limited, Agents, 10 Bridge-street.

MILWRAITH, M'EACHARN, and CO.'S LINE.
WEST AUSTRALIAN GOLDFIELDS.
The S.S. NEW GUINEA,
for FREMANTLE and WEST AUSTRALIAN PORTS, will leave MELBOURNE THURSDAY, 3rd JANUARY, 1895.
FARES and FREIGHTS SPECIALLY REDUCED.
Further particulars apply to BURNS, PHILP, and CO., Limited, Agents, 10 Bridge-street.

HUDDART, PARKER, AND COMPANY'S LINE.
Weather and other circumstances permitting.
MELBOURNE :
ELINGAMITE, THIS DAY, FRIDAY, 21st instant, at 5 p.m.
Inspection of this vessel invited.
Electric Light installed throughout.
Hot and cold sea-water baths.
Promenade deck 200ft. long.
SPECIAL MELBOURNE SUMMER EXCURSION
TICKET, AVAILABLE FOR SIX MONTHS.
RETURN, TWO POUNDS.

HOBART EXHIBITION.
SPECIAL FACILITIES IN CONNECTION WITH THE ABOVE HAVE BEEN ARRANGED.
Passengers having the choice of the following tours :—
SYDNEY TO HOBART DIRECT, BY THE STEAMSHIP TAMBO, TO-MORROW, SATURDAY, 22nd instant, at 12 noon. OR ROUND TRIP, SYDNEY TO SYDNEY, VIA MELBOURNE, LAUNCESTON, AND HOBART, or VICE VERSA.
The steamships Illingamite and Burrumbeet, each 2000 tons, leave Sydney alternate Fridays for Melbourne, connecting with the express passenger steamship Cooee (17 knots) for Launceston, thence per rail to Hobart, and per steamship Tambo to Sydney.
PASSENGERS CAN BREAK THEIR JOURNEY AT ANY PORT.
FARE FOR THE ROUND TOUR, FOUR POUNDS (£4).

NEWCASTLE.
The Steamers of the Company run at Frequent Intervals. FARES and FREIGHTS AT LOWEST CURRENT RATES.
BERRY, NOWRA BRIDGE, AND SHOALHAVEN RIVER, COOMONDERRY. THIS (FRIDAY) NIGHT, at 6 o'clock.

NEW ZEALAND.
NEW STEAM SERVICE.
TASMANIA and ANGLIAN, each 3000 tons.
These Steamships will be despatched FROM SYDNEY as follows :—
FOR AUCKLAND, NAPIER, WELLINGTON, LYTTELTON, DUNEDIN, BLUFF, HOBART, and MELBOURNE.

SHIP.	DATE.
TASMANIA ...	JANUARY 16.
ANGLIAN ...	JANUARY.
FROM MELBOURNE.	
VIA HOBART, BLUFF, and OTHER NEW ZEALAND PORTS, to SYDNEY.	
SHIP.	DATE.
ANGLIAN ...	DECEMBER.
TASMANIA ...	FEBRUARY.

THE ATTENTION OF THE PUBLIC IS DRAWN TO THE FACT THAT THE LOW RATES OF FREIGHTS AND PASSENGER FARES NOW RULING IN THIS TRADE ARE DUE TO THE ADVENT OF THE ABOVE STEAMERS INTO THIS TRADE, AND BY PATRONISING THEM THE PUBLIC PROTECT THEIR OWN INTERESTS, BY PREVENTING MONOPOLY AND ASSISTING TO MAINTAIN THE LOW RATES OF FARES AND FREIGHTS.
TOURISTS' ATTENTION IS PARTICULARLY DRAWN TO THE ROUND TRIP SYDNEY TO SYDNEY VIA NEW ZEALAND PORTS, HOBART, AND MELBOURNE (about 21 days' trip).
FARES AND FREIGHTS AT LOWEST CURRENT RATES.
HUDDART, PARKER, and CO., Limited.
Offices and Wharf, Post Margaret-street.

RICHMOND RIVER, via NEWCASTLE. S.S. OAKLAND, THIS FRIDAY, at 8 p.m., from Yeager's Wharf, Pyrmont.
Fare to Ballina—Saloon, 30s; steerage, 15s.
Newcastle Cargo carried at Reduced Rates.
HOLIDAY EXCURSION FARES.
Until the 31st instant RETURN TICKETS (not transferable) will be issued to and from the Richmond River, (available for return within one month from date of issue) at the following rates :—
SALOON—To Ballina, 30s; Lismore, 35s.
STEERAGE—To ,, 20s; ,, 22s 6d.

BOATS to LET. Holidays no extra charge. Vipond's Boatshed, Rushcutter Bay. Take cabie tram.

FOR PICNIC PARTIES.—S.S. ECLIPSE for HIRE, Botany Bay and George's River, certificate 170 passengers. Apply F. SMIDMORE, Marrickville-road.

A NOVEL NIGHT.—The finest Window show in Sydney at HOLDSWORTH MACPHERSON'S, near Bridge-street.

THE HOWARD SMITH LINE.
FROM WHARVES AT FOOT OF KING-STREET.

FOR MELBOURNE	Leura, This Day, 7 p.m.
ADELAIDE	Barrabool, Monday, Dec. 24, 5 p.m.
PORT PIRIE	
BROKEN HILL	
PORT AUGUSTA	
ALBANY	Leura, This Day, 7 p.m. Connects with Gabo at Melbourne.
FREMANTLE	
GERALDTON	
BRISBANE	Peregrine, Sat., Dec. 22, 2 p.m.
MARYBOROUGH	Bunimyong, Mon., Dec. 24, 5 p.m.
ROCKHAMPTON	
BUNDABERG	Peregrine, Sat., Dec. 22, 2 p.m.
MACKAY	Leura, Sat., Dec. 29, 2 p.m.
TOWNSVILLE	
CAIRNS	
PORT DOUGLAS	

CARGO for all Ports received DAILY.

SPECIAL CHRISTMAS EXCURSION FARES.

	Saloon—Single.	Return.	Steerage.
Melbourne ...	£1 5 0	£2 0 0	£0 10 0
Adelaide ...	2 15 0	4 0 0	1 0 0
BRISBANE ...	1 0 0	1 15 0	0 10 0
MARYBOROUGH ...	1 15 0	3 0 0	1 0 0
ROCKHAMPTON ...	3 5 0	5 10 0	1 10 0
MACKAY ...	4 0 0	7 0 0	2 5 0
TOWNSVILLE ...	4 10 0	8 0 0	2 10 0

TICKETS AVAILABLE SIX MONTHS.
WM. HOWARD SMITH and SONS, Limited.
Offices : 87 York-street, near Barrack-street.
Wharves : Foot of King-street.

COOLGARDIE.
The S.S. LEURA,
leaving Sydney THIS DAY, 7 p.m. from foot of King-street, connects with S.S. GABO, from Melbourne, MONDAY, the 24th instant, for ALBANY, FREMANTLE, and GERALDTON, without transhipment.
SPECIAL LOW FARES.
The GABO is one of the largest steamers in the Western Trade, and has unequalled saloon and steerage accommodation.
WM. HOWARD SMITH and SONS, Limited. 87 York-street (near Barrack-street).

GOLDFIELDS.
COOLGARDIE and MURCHISON.
THE ADELAIDE STEAMSHIP CO., Ltd.
REGULAR STEAMERS FOR ALL WEST AUSTRALIAN PORTS.
NEXT SAILING.
The S.S. ADELAIDE will leave Sydney on SATURDAY, December 22nd, for FREMANTLE, without transhipment.
Early application advisable to secure berths.
Passengers for Geraldton and all Northern Ports tranship into connecting boat at Fremantle.
SPECIALLY REDUCED RATES.
For all particulars apply to G. S. YUILL and CO., Agents, 17 Bridge-street.

THE ADELAIDE STEAMSHIP COMPANY, Limited.
EXPRESS WEEKLY SERVICE.
From Lime-street Wharf.

For MELBOURNE, ADELAIDE, PORT PIRIE, and GULF PORTS.	S.S. ADELAIDE, SATURDAY, December 22, at noon. No cargo received after 11 a.m.
For BRISBANE and all QUEENSLAND PORTS.	S.S. SOUTH AUSTRALIAN, SATURDAY, December 22, at noon. No cargo received after 11 a.m.

SPECIALLY REDUCED PASSENGER RATES.
FARES TO BRISBANE.

Saloon, Single ...	£1 0 0
,, Return ...	1 15 0
Steerage ...	0 8 0

Correspondingly low rates to all other ports.

WEST AUSTRALIAN GOLDFIELDS.
SEE SPECIAL ADVERTISEMENT ABOVE.
G. S. YUILL and CO., Agents, 17 Bridge-street.

THE NORTH COAST S. N. COMPANY, Limited.
From CLARENCE WHARF, 3 Sussex-street.
CLARENCE RIVER—City of Grafton, To-morrow, 9 p.m.
MACLEAY RIVER—Burrowa, Wednesday, 5 p.m.
RICHMOND RIVER—Electra, To-night at 8.
From MARKET WHARF, Telephone, 926.
MANNING RIVER—Coraki, Monday morning at 9.
PORT MACQUARIE—Rosedale, Wednesday next.
WAMBUCCA RIVER—Rosedale, early.
BELLINGER RIVER—Rosedale, Wednesday next.
RICHARD COOKE, Secretary.

THE NORTH COAST STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY, Limited.
CHRISTMAS AND NEW YEAR EXCURSION FARES.
From 14th to 31st instant RETURN TICKETS (not transferable) will be issued to and from all the Northern Rivers to which the Company's vessels trade, available for return within one month from date of issue.
Saloon : Single Fare for double journey.
Steerage : Manning, 15s ; Port Macquarie, Macleay, and Nambucca Rivers, £1; Clarence and Bellinger Rivers, £1 5s; Ballina and Coraki, £1 7s 6d; Lismore, £1 10s.
RICHARD COOKE, Secretary.

STEAM TO AND FROM NEWCASTLE during the CHRISTMAS AND NEW YEAR HOLIDAYS, 1894-5.

Day.	Date.	From Sydney.	From Newcastle.
Friday	Dec 21	Newcastle, at 11 p.m.	Namoi, at 11.30.
Sat'day	,, 22	Namoi, at midnight	Newcastle, at midnight
Sunday	,, 23	Newcastle ,,	Namoi ,,
Monday	,, 24	Namoi ,,	Newcastle ,,
Tuesd'y	,, 25	Sydney ,,	Sydney ,,
Wed'dy	,, 26	Newcastle ,,	Sydney ,,
Thurs'y	,, 27	Namoi ,,	Newcastle ,,
Friday	,, 28	Newcastle ,,	Namoi ,,
Sat'day	,, 29	Namoi, ,,	Newcastle ,,
Sunday	,, 30	Newcastle ,,	Namoi ,,
Monday	,, 31	Sydney ,,	Newcastle ,,
Tues'dy Jan.	1	Namoi ,,	Sydney ,,

Fares : Saloon, single 7s, return (available 2 months) 10s 6d; Deck Cabin Berths 2s extra each way; Steerage, 4s each way.
P. J. THOMAS, Manager.
The Newcastle and Hunter River S.S. Co., Ltd., Offices, 147 Sussex-street.

ILLAWARRA S. N. COMPANY.
WEATHER PERMITTING.
Wollongong, Kiama, Shoalhaven, Mon., Fri., 11 p.m.
Clyde River, Nelligen, Bateman's Bay, Friday, 10 a.m.
Ulladulla, Friday, 10 a.m.; Thursday, noon.
Merimbula, Eden, Bermagui, Monday, Thursday, noon.
Tathra, Pambula, Monday, Thursday, noon.

ILLAWARRA STEAM N. CO.
CHRISTMAS AND NEW YEAR EXCURSIONS.
Saloon Tickets at a single fare for the double journey will be issued by this Company, available between Sydney and the undermentioned ports, viz. :—
ULLADULLA, CLYDE RIVER, and BATEMAN'S BAY,
from FRIDAY, 14th December, to MONDAY, 14th January.
MERIMBULA, TATHRA, BERMAGUI, and EDEN,
from WEDNESDAY, 12th December, to WEDNESDAY, 16th January.
Tickets are not available after above dates.

ILLAWARRA STEAM N. CO.
CHRISTMAS EXCURSION.
The S.S. ILLAWARRA will leave Sydney on MONDAY NIGHT, the 24th December, at 11 o'clock, at the following Reduced Fares for the Double Trip :—
Wollongong, Saloon, Return 6s
Kiama ,, ,, ... 8s
Shoalhaven ,, ,, ... 10s.
Meals provided at lowest rates.

MANLY. MANLY. MANLY.
CHEAP FARES. COMFORT AND SAFETY.
THIS COMPANY LANDS ITS PASSENGERS RIGHT AT THE BATHS.
PORT JACKSON S.S. COMPANY'S SALOON STEAMERS
BRIGHTON, FAIRLIGHT, NARRABEEN, weather permitting, and as far as practicable,
LEAVE SYDNEY : 7.15, 8, 9, 10, 10.30, 11.30, 12, 12.30, 1.30, 2.30, 3, 3.30, 4.30, 5, 5.30, 6.15, 7.30, 8, 9.30.
LEAVE MANLY : 8.15, 8.45, 9.45, 11, 11.30, 12.30, 1, 1.30, 2.30, 3.30, 4, 4.30, 5.15, 5.45,

Amusements.

LYCEUM THEATRE.
Sole Lessee and Manager, Mr. J. C. Williamson.
Messrs. WILLIAMSON and MUSGROVE.
Acting Manager and Treasurer, Geo. L. Goodman.

CLOSED
for the final rehearsal of

CINDERELLA,

which will be produced
TO-MORROW (Saturday) EVENING,
DECEMBER 22, at 7.45.

BOX PLAN NOW OPEN AT NICHOLSON'S.

THERE IS NOTHING LIKE

SUCCESS!!

OURS IS SIMPLY DUE TO

TALENT AND TACT.

Talent knows what to do,
Tact knows how to do it.

Our customers constantly ask how can we afford to sell so CHEAP, accupying as we do the largest and most UNIQUE position in the city,

RIGHT OPPOSITE HUNTER-STREET,

in George-street.

We never know what answer rightly to give. All we know is that we have got to work for the LANDLORD. Our rentals are light. Carrying all our heavy and bulk stock in BOND (at present over SEVERAL hundred tons) enables us to obtain bonding rates at lowest possible quotations.

We claim to be the only Importing Firm who pay nearly

ONE-THIRD

of the Annual Duty on imported British and Foreign Wrapping Papers, consequently being large buyers, chiefly for cash, we obtain quotations unequalled probably by any other local firm in the Paper and Stationery trade. Thus we are enabled to give our Wholesale and Retail Clients the benefit of

INTERMEDIATE PROFITS.

We only employ sufficient Assistants. That enables us to remunerate them well, thereby obtaining SKILL and COMPETENCY, combined with interest, in all departments.

H. HELY and CO.,

PAPER MERCHANTS, WHOLESALE and RETAIL STATIONERS and PRINTERS,

261 GEORGE-STREET, opposite Hunter-street.

Telephone, 874, always receives immediate attention.

XMAS CARDS
in any quantity this year.

BOXING DAY and NIGHT, DECEMBER 26, 1894.
THE GREAT CHRISTMAS NATIONAL CARNIVAL and PAIN'S FIREWORKS,
ROYAL AGRICULTURAL SOCIETY'S GROUND, MOORE PARK.

SPORTS. SPORTS. SPORTS.
PRIZES. PRIZES. PRIZES.
National Baby Show: first prize, £5 5s.
Ladies' Bicycle or Tricycle Races: first prize, £7 7s.
Gentlemen's Bicycle Races: first prize, £5 5s.
Boxing Day Cup: first prize, £3 3s.
20 various Foot Races: prizes, £100.
4 Walking Matches: prizes, £12 12s.
Donkey Racing: first prize, £3 3s.
Dancing, Highland Flings, Irish Jigs, Sailor's Hornpipes, &c.: prizes, £6 6s.
Richardson's Show, Minstrelsy, Greasy Pole and Greasy Pig, the Bakers and Sweeps, Rough-and-Tumble: prizes, £5 5s.
The Marmetic Lady, The Blacksmith's Dream
Punch and Judy, Aunt Sally, Swings, Merry-go-rounds, &c., and an immense variety of other Sports.
Brass Band of 30 Performers.
All ENTRIES received at the Carnival Office, Victoria Arcade, opposite the Australia Hotel, closing To-morrow Night at 9 p.m.
Admission to the Ground, 1s.; Children, 6d.
See future advertisements and bills.
F. R. HISCOCKS and CO., Promoters.

SIDESHOWS, Merry-go-rounds, Punch and Judy, Panoramas, &c. Apply for space at Office.

COOGEE PALACE AQUARIUM.—Holidays! Holidays! Holidays! Next SUNDAY AFTERNOON, Next SUNDAY EVENING, XMAS DAY, and BOXING DAY. Full Band! Full Concert! Full Chorus! On each day the celebrated Polich Troupe of Japanese will make their first appearance in Australia.
Miss MYRA LODGE (from the Tivoli Theatre), the Champion Lady Juggler of the World, will also appear each day.
General MITE, 30 years of age, 30in. high, and 30lb. weight, the eighth wonder of the world, will on each day receive the visitors.

SYDNEY CRICKET GROUND.

TO-MORROW and MONDAY,

22nd and 24th DECEMBER,

Mr. STODDART'S ENGLISH ELEVEN

v.

EIGHTEEN JUNIORS.

SYDNEY CRICKET GROUND.
HIGHLAND GATHERING,
NEW YEAR'S DAY.

SIDE SHOWS. SIDE SHOWS.
APPLICATIONS received up to Noon on MONDAY, 24th instant, for SPACE to erect MERRY-GO-ROUNDS, SWINGING-BOATS, PUNCH and JUDY SHOWS, &c., &c.

S. H. FAIRLAND,
Secretary S. C. Ground.
Office—86 Hunter-street.

ARTHURLEIGH C. C. Disengaged Saturday, with wicket. Mr. Clark, c/o Anderson and Co., 216 Pitt-st.

FIRST-CLASS Matting WICKET to LET, Saturday, M. Park. J. H. Scollin, 21 Castlereagh-st. Tel., 1109.

A WICKET, Moore Park, VACANT Dec. 22, 25, 26, 27, Jan. 1, very cheap. Apply 32 Thurlow-st., Redfern.

COOK'S EXCURSION to Hawkesbury River, returning Tuesday and Monday, every WEDNESDAY and SATURDAY. Tickets, including lunch, 12s 6d.
4 Hunter-street.

COOK'S EXCURSIONS to the Jenolan Caves, Bull. Flat, Blue Mountains, Newport, Hawkesbury Rivers, and Illawarra district; ticket covering all travel and hotels.
4 Hunter-street.

JAPAN,

CHAMPION OF THE EAST.

Also Champions in the MANUFACTURE of all EASTERN ARTICLES.

T. O. SADA and CO.,

OF 162 PITT-STREET,

announce the arrival of 600 CASES of New

JAPANESE GOODS,

consisting of

SILKS
SILK HANDKERCHIEFS
CREPES
CREPONS
BAMBOOWARE
JAPANESE EARTHENWARE
TEA SETS, &c.
FANS
SCREENS
BRACKETS
MATS,

and a great number of other articles, all extremely pretty and very useful for

CHRISTMAS PRESENTS,

and

WILL OFFER THEM

to the

PUBLIC AT PRICES HITHERTO

UNHEARD OF.

NOTE THE ADDRESS:

162 PITT-STREET,

NEXT WASHINGTON SOUL'S.

THE CROWN STUDIOS.

13 First-class Cabinets and an Enlargement of your own Portrait on a large oval for 10s 6d.

CORNER OF GEORGE and MARKET STREETS, SYDNEY.

FOR CHRISTMAS PRESENTS.
SPECTACLES and EYEGLASSES,
in Gold, Silver, Steel, &c. Best Pebbles.
FROST and SMITHAM, 474 George-street.

SPECIAL XMAS PARCELS SOLD BY GRIFFITHS BROS., opposite Town Hall, Sydney.
No. 1, price 5s 6d., contains 5lb. Caddy Choice TEA.
No. 2, price 10s. contains 5lb. Choice TEA, 1lb. freshly-roasted COFFEE, and 1lb. COCOA, all in Canisters.
No. 3, price 10s 6d.—10lb. very Choice TEA, 2lb. freshly-roasted COFFEE, and 1lb. COCOA, all in Canisters.
Satisfaction Guaranteed, or Money Refunded.

CHRISTMAS NUMBER OF THE SYDNEY MAIL of all News Agents, Railway and Tramway Bookstalls.

LADIES, come and See a Xmas Dinner at HOLDSWORTH MACPHERSON'S Window, near Bridge-street.

NOTHING better or cheaper in the Market. Graham's Estates, M'ckville, for absolute clearance To-morrow.

HER MAJESTY'S THEATRE.
Sole Lessee and Manager ... Mr. Geo. Rignold
Stage Manager ... Mr. J. W. Hazlitt
Treasurer ... Mr. C. R. Bailey.

THIS (FRIDAY) EVENING
THE THEATRE WILL BE CLOSED
for rehearsal of Pantomime.

TO-MORROW (SATURDAY) NIGHT, DECEMBER 22,

and Every Evening at 7.45
(with Special Holiday Matinees Boxing Day, Dec. 26th, Thursday, 27th, and Saturday, 29th, at 2 o'clock), will be presented
the
GRAND COMIC CHRISTMAS PANTOMIME,
in 3 Acts,
written expressly for this Theatre by Mr. Bert Royle, entitled

THE HOUSE THAT JACK BUILT.

Mr. GEO. RIGNOLD, in announcing his great Christmas production, begs to state that no effort has been spared to present an attraction replete with startling novelties, grandeur of scenic display, and gorgeous costumes, forming a spectacle hitherto unsurpassed.

BOX PLAN
for the first two nights now open at Theatre.
Prices of Admission:—Dress Circle, 4s. The entire Stalls, 3s. Family Circle, 2s. Gallery, 1s. Early door open 6.45 (6d extra). Ordinary doors open 7.15. Commence 7.45.

J. P. MACDONALD, Acting Manager.

CHRISTMAS NIGHT
CHRISTMAS NIGHT,

GRAND SEMI-SACRED CONCERT
GRAND SEMI-SACRED CONCERT,

under the direction of Mr. F. J. HALLEWELL,
on which occasion
A NEW AUSTRALIAN SOPRANO,
whose voice is reported to be the wonder of the age, will make
HER FIRST APPEARANCE IN SYDNEY.
A Great Programme has been Arranged.
Full Programme will be announced in to-morrow's Papers.

BOX PLAN NOW OPEN.
Dress Circle, 3s: Stalls, 2s. Family Circle and Gallery, 1s.

THOMSON, GATES, and CO.
Noted for STYLE and FIT
in TAILORING.
Latest Styles in Summer Goods just landed.
Genuine Materials. Moderate Prices.
Merchant Tailors and Gentlemen's Outfitters,
185 PITT-STREET (3 doors off King-street).
COUNTRY RESIDENTS.—Please Write for Patterns, with Self-measure Forms and Fashion Plates: also Price List of all you wear. Goods sent Parcel Post carriage free.

GRAND TINEE.
TOWN HALL, SYDNEY.
THURSDAY AFTERNOON, DECEMBER 27, 1894.
Commencing at 2.45 p.m. sharp.
IN AID OF THE FUNDS AND CHILDREN OF THE DESTITUTE OF SYDNEY.
Committee.—The Hon. G. H. Reid, Premier; Sir Geo. Dibbs, Sir Wm. Manning; Messrs. S. E. Lees, W. M. Hughes, David Storey, J. M'Gowan, M.s.P.; E. J. H. Knapp, Chas. Lovely, Alderman Fredk. Penny, Harry Rickards, C. H. Cato.
Hon. Treasurers, { Sir W. P. MANNING / E. J. H. KNAPP, Esq.
Hon. Sec., H. PURDUE.
PROGRAMME:
The Eminent Actor Vocalist,
Mr. HARRY RICKARDS.
The charming young Mezzo-Soprano,
Miss ADA BAKER.
The Great American Dialect Comedian,
Mr. GUS BRUNO.
The Popular and Favourite Baritone Vocalist,
Mr. HARRY FITZMAURICE.
The World-renowned Shadowgraphist and Equilibrist,
MONS. PROVO.
The above by kind permission of Mr. Harry Rickards.

Musical Director and Accompanist,
Mr. OWEN CONSIDINE.

The clever Elocutionist, Mr. HARRY LESTON,
Dutch Parody on "The Raven," by Harry Leston.
The Tasmanian Baritone,
Mr. HARBERT CATO.
Last Appearance in Sydney of the clever and popular
Mr. LESTER BELLINGHAM,
in a society Skirt Dance a Pas Seul (of nonsense).
Accompanist, Miss NAYLOR.

Miss GERTRUDE GRAY, Song.

"Ten Minutes Fun," Miss MAT SMYTH.

Miss SHERIDAN REED,
and other Favourites.

Accompanist, Mr. Sykes.
Piano kindly lent by Messrs. Paling and Co., George-street.

Booking Office and Reserved Seats, Messrs. Paling and Co.
Reserved Seats, 3s; Gallery, 2s; Body of Hall, 1s.
Book early to avoid crush.

NANA. A LIFE-SIZE PAINTING OF A BEAUTIFUL, RECLINING WOMAN IN NUDE FORM.
A TRIUMPH OF ARTISTIC SKILL in the highest state of perfection, yet so idealised as to put to flight every impure suggestion. CONCEIVED WITH A SKILL that almost rivals the creation of the subject. EXHIBITED ALL OVER THE WORLD, and ON VIEW FOR A FEW DAYS LONGER at 85 Castlereagh-street (near Theatre Royal). ADMISSION, ONE SHILLING. During the Last Days Ladies and Gentlemen will be admitted together

CHRISTMAS NUMBER OF THE SYDNEY MAIL of all News Agents, Railway and Tramway Bookstalls.

CENTENNIAL HALL,
York-street.
IMPORTANT XMAS ANNOUNCEMENT.
CHRISTMAS NIGHT. CHRISTMAS NIGHT.
Mr. G. MARCUS WORLD-RENOWNED
FISK JUBILEE SINGERS.
NEW AND OLD SLAVE SONGS AND CHORUSES.
POSITIVELY FAREWELL CONCERTS,
commencing XMAS NIGHT.

A UNIQUE CHRISTMAS CONCERT.
Selections from all the Great Composers.
POPULAR PRICES, 3s, 2s, and 1s. Plan at Paling's.

BATHURST-STREET BAPTIST CHURCH
SALE OF WORK
THIS DAY and TO-MORROW, 3 to 10 p.m.
Interesting Programme of Music, &c.

PRIMITIVE Methodist Schoolroom, Alison-st., Sale of Work opened 3 p.m., Entertainment 7.45. Adm. free.

MOOREFIELD RACES.
TO-MORROW, SATURDAY.
SIX EVENTS. 111 ENTRIES.
FIRST RACE STARTS AT 2 p.m.
TRAINS TO KOGARAH.
Horse Boxes, 11.30 a.m.
Ordinary—12.10, 12.40, 1.10, 2.10 p.m.
Specials—12.38, 12.55, 1.5, 1.25 p.m.
JOHN JOLLY,
Secretary.
Office: 198 Pitt-street, Sydney.

KENSINGTON RACING CLUB, RANDWICK,
on or about
MONDAY, DECEMBER 24, 1894.
PONY AND GALLOWAY MEETING.
THE TRIAL STAKES (15.0) of 25 sovs., for all horses that have never won an advertised race of 20 sovs. at time of starting: 4½ furlongs
THE 14.1 HANDICAP of 25 sovs.: 5 furlongs
THE 15.0 HANDICAP of 25 sovs.: 5 furlongs
THE 13.2 HANDICAP of 20 sovs.: 4½ furlongs
THE 14.2 HANDICAP of 25 sovs.: 5 furlongs
THE KENSINGTON HANDICAP (15.0) of 30 sovs.: 1 mile.
Entrance Fee for each event, One Sov.
Entries Close at 5 p.m. TUESDAY, Friday, 21st December, 1894.
Weights on or about SATURDAY, 22nd December, 1894.
The winner of any handicap after the declaration of weights to carry 7lb. penalty.
P. O'MARA, Secretary.
20 Barrack-street, Sydney. Telephone No., 774.

MOORE PARK RACES.
66th CARRINGTON HANDICAP of £20
will be run
THIS (Friday) AFTERNOON,
1st Heat at 3 o'clock.

1st Round 3rd NOVICE HANDICAP of £20
will be run
TO-MORROW (Saturday) AFTERNOON.

FINAL ROUNDS NEXT THURSDAY
in conjunction with
275 YARDS HANDICAP.
ENTRIES (2s) CLOSE TO-MORROW NIGHT.
H. TAYLOR, Secretary.

PIGEON SHOOTING.
OUTRIGHT TROPHY (for Members),
THIS DAY, FRIDAY.
H. SKINNER, Sec.

MT. VICTORIA.—Cooper's Xmas Excursion to Jenolan Caves. Leap, Lours, and Wentworth Falls. Tickets, covering Hotel, Rail, and Coaching, Saturday, return Wednesday, £4 17s, from J. A. Thompson, 1 Hunter-st.

PALING'S XMAS ANNUAL.
No. 11.
PRICE, 1s; or, 1s 2d posted.
CONTENTS:
1. TWO LITTLE GIRLS IN BLUE.
Waltz Song and Chorus. Latest London Rage.
2. TO ANTHEA ... H. SKINNER.
3. I'M THE FATHER OF A LITTLE BLACK COON.
4. NEVER NOD YOUR HEAD, MAGGIE.
5. NAPOLI MAZURKA ... G. Laudelli
6. SIMON THE CELLARER.
7. COWS ARE IN THE CORN.
Madame Belle Cole's Success.
8. GLEDSWOOD SCHOTTISCHE.
9. SHE WORE A WREATH OF ROSES.
10. THIS IS LOVE
Pretty Waltz Song.
11. THE DAINTY HIGH KICKER.
a Splendid New Comic.
12. BELLA NOTTE WALTZ.
13. OUR SAILING SONG.
14. FISHERMAN AND HIS CHILD
15. NEVER AGAIN ON EARTH.
16. THE DANUBE RIVER ... Vocal Duet
W. H. PALING and CO., Limited,
338 GEORGE-STREET, SYDNEY.

PIANOFORTES.—BLUTHNER, KNAUSS, BARTHOLF, FAHL.
TERMS OR CASH.
Sole Agents
WM. BRUCE and CO.,
197 PITT-STREET, SYDNEY.

DON'T forget that GRAHAM'S ESTATES at Marrickville are for absolute CLEARANCE SALE on the ground, TO-MORROW, to close accounts. Most lots planted with well-grown ornamental trees. Torrens Titles. Easy Terms. An opportunity for Spec. Builders. Plans from W. PRITCHARD and SON, 100 King-street.

A NOVEL SIGHT.—The finest Window Show in Sydney at HOLDSWORTH MACPHERSON'S, near Bridge-street.

BROWN'S Estate, North Shore, Chatswood and Gordon Lands, THIS DAY, at Rms., 11.30 a.m. R. & W., Ltd.

THEATRE ROYAL.
Lessees and Managers ... Messrs. Ashton and Woods.
Business Manager ... Sir. G. Tresero.
NOTWITHSTANDING
THE UNPRECEDENTED SUCCESS
achieved by the

ROYAL DRAMATIC COMPANY

in Boucicault's Great Drama,

STREETS OF LONDON,

the management are compelled, owing to the close of the season, to announce the
LAST
TWO NIGHTS
of
STREETS OF LONDON.
The unanimous verdict is that in
ARTISTIC COMPLETENESS
the present performances are ideally perfect,
whilst the

GREAT FIRE SCENE

Is acknowledged to be the most intensely realistic and sensational work ever attempted on the Sydney stage.
Prices—3s, 2s, 1s 6d, and 1s. Box Plan at Theatre.

THEATRE ROYAL.

THE

SPAN OF LIFE.

With the Latest Novelty.

BOXING NIGHT, DECEMBER 26.

Inauguration of the Dramatic Season, with a Brilliant Introduction to the Sydney Public of the Stirring Marine Novelty,
THE SPAN OF LIFE.
INTERPRETED by the PREMIER COMBINATION OF AUSTRALIA.

ILLUSTRATED by MAGNIFICENT STAGE TABLEAUX.

BOXING NIGHT, DEC. 26.

Dress Circle, 3s; Orchestra Stalls, 3s 6d; Stalls, 2s; and Family Circle, ONE SHILLING. Box plan now open at Elvy's Music Warehouse, George-street.

A NEW MACHINE has been added to the Magic Group that constitute Edison's Startling

KINETOSCOPE

Exhibition, and will be on view TO-DAY at 148 Pitt-street (opposite Strand Arcade), from 11 till 11.

Admission—ONE SHILLING. Children, SIXPENCE.

SYDNEY PHILHARMONIC SOCIETY.
Conductor, Signor HAZON.
TOWN HALL.
CHRISTMAS NIGHT. CHRISTMAS NIGHT.
HANDEL'S GRAND ORATORIO,
"THE MESSIAH."
"THE MESSIAH."
RESERVED SEATS, 4 Shillings.
UNRESERVED SEATS, 2s 6d and 1s.

Plan now open Messrs. Paling and Co., George-street, where tickets may be obtained.
A. EDWARD HARPER,
Hon. Secretary.

UNDER the PATRONAGE of FRANCIS ADAMS, Esq. (General Manager), and Officials of the A.J.S. Bank, the Orpheus Glee Club, the North Sydney Orphans, the Electric Club, the Randwick Orpheus Society, &c., &c.

Y.M.C.A. HALL,
FRIDAY, 21st DECEMBER, 1894.
A GRAND COMPLIMENTARY CONCERT
will be tendered
Mr. LESTER BELLINGHAM
(prior to his departure for London).
TICKETS, 2s 6d.
Doors open at 7.30.
Commence at 8.
DAVID FELL
ERNEST P. EVERETT } Joint Secs.
5 Hunter-street.

AN AUSTRALIAN DINNER PARTY.—See HOLDSWORTH, MACPHERSON, and CO.'S Window, just past Hunter-street.

Stock, Shares, and Money.

AUSTRALIAN MUTUAL PROVIDENT SOCIETY
LOANS ON MORTGAGE
of
FREEHOLD OR LEASEHOLD PROPERTIES
for a
FIXED TERM OF YEARS OR REDEEMABLE
BY INSTALMENTS.
RICHARD TEECE, General Manager.
ROBERT R. CAMERON, Secretary.
Head Office, 87 Pitt-street, Sydney.

THE ADVERTISER, having a considerable capital at his disposal, is prepared to make immediate CASH ADVANCES at an extremely LOW RATE OF INTEREST on all descriptions of investments without the necessity of Bill of Sale or any publicity whatever.
Loans may be repaid as under:—
Loan of £100, payable by monthly instalments of £20s
Loan of £50, repayable by monthly instalments of £1 10s
Loan of £20, repayable by monthly instalments of 16s.
Loan of £10, repayable by monthly instalments of 10s.
All communications strictly private.
Confidence, Box 260, General Post Office.

MONEY TO LEND
FROM FIVE PER CENT.
Australian Widows' Fund Life Assurance Society, Ltd., 303 George-street.

MONEY to LEND; small sums preferred, freehold securities, easy repayments, 6 per cent.
CITY MUTUAL LIFE ASSURANCE SOCIETY, the Most Liberal and Progressive Life Office in Australia.
GEO. CROWLEY,
Manager.
Intersection Hunter, Bligh, and Castlereagh streets, Sydney.

BORROWERS, CONSULT YOUR INTERESTS by applying at the OLDEST and most respectable establishment, where a loan will be granted on the easiest terms.
NO REASONABLE APPLICATION REFUSED.
ORIGINAL MONT DE PIETE, 71 CASTLEREAGH-STREET (right-hand side from King-st.). Tel. No., 1709.

I NEVER REFUSE AN ADVANCE OF MONEY to respectable persons. Any business transacted guaranteed strictly private.
HENRY TAIT, 111 Elizabeth-st., near Market-st.
Telephone, 1173.

YOUR MONEY DIFFICULTIES can be at once overcome by applying personally, or by letter, to
LEMON and CO.,
26 and 30 Hopewell-street, Paddington,
who are the actual lenders. No delay, publicity, fees, or delay. Advances on Furniture, &c., (without possession).

MONEY ADVANCED ON FURNITURE, DEEDS and all Securities, at LOWEST INTEREST, WITHOUT PUBLICITY. Repaid by INSTALMENTS. NO LOAN OFFICE TACTICS. LOANS GRANTED SAME DAY. REXON, 82 Elizabeth-st., nr. Hunter-st.
PRIVATE ENTRANCE. STRICTEST SECRECY.

AVAILABLE AT ONCE, £7000, at 5 per cent.—Gentleman is open to make Advances. Any amount lent, from £10, on FURNITURE, HOUSES, Allotments, LAND, town or country. Only genuine applicants are requested to apply. F. KEMP, Mgr., 116 Forbes-street, Surry Hills. (Apply day or evening.)

WANTED, LOAN £30,000, for five years, at 5 per cent., on 34,000 acres first-class Freehold and C. P. Land, well situated.
Principals only treated with.
Address Box 7,
Tamworth P.O.

MONEY TO LEND at LOWEST RATES, on approved Freeholds.
H. E. RUSSELL,
No. 15 Norwich-chambers.

MONEY ADVANCED privately on Furniture, Deeds, and other securities at low interest, repayments to suit borrowers. F. FELS, 235 Pitt-street, corner Park-street, opposite Criterion Theatre, first floor.

MONEY IN SIX HOURS
Advanced on Furniture (without possession), Deeds, Personal, and any securities. Oriental Loan and Mortgage Office, 13 Castlereagh-street, near Hunter-street.

ADVANCES made direct by a private gentleman, £3 upwards, from 6 p.m., on deeds, also upon reversions, life policies, top of William-st. Apply Mr. P. S. HUNT, 183 Elizabeth-st. (between Market and Park sts.).

TRUST MONEYS to LEND on good Freehold securities.
JAMES and BLADE,
Public Accountants,
49 Castlereagh-street.

TEN THOUSAND to LEND upon good City or Suburban Securities in sums of £200 and upwards at lowest current rates.
W. J. SHERWIN, 70 Hunter-street.

TO ASSIST, Not to CRUSH.—Private Gent. advances MONEY on Furniture or any security (without pos.). No fees or loan office routine. Evenings, 6.30 till 9.
308 Bourke-street, Surry Hills, near Orford-street.

MONEY to LEND at low rates of interest on Furniture, Horses, Cabs, or Vehicles, or any security (without pos.). NO FEES. Repayments to suit borrowers.
Corner Castlereagh and Market streets.

CIVIL SERVANTS and others requiring MONEY to LEND on their Salaries can apply R. S. Nelson and Callan, 318 George-st.

TRUST FUNDS to LEND on City or Suburban securities. Dowling and Dowling, solicitors, 29 O'Connell-st.

TRUST MONEY to LEND on Mortgage. Alfred Shaw, solicitor, corner Pitt and Moore sts.

TO LEND, £5 to £500, personal security, repayable by instalments. J. G. Reed, 236 Pitt-st., corner Park-st.

ENGLISH MONEY ADVANCED to anyone requiring it, say, on any security, fair interest. Apply 156 King-st.

LADY from England will Advance Money resp. people in need, any sec., low int. M., 145 Victoria-st. N., D.

LADY (widow), in distress, solicits Monetary Assistance from generous friend. Opal, P.O., Paddington.

A.S., Commercial, E. S. and A. ... Apply Box ... Deposits Bought for cash. J. B. North, 114a Pitt-st.

WANTED, 500 St. Joseph's Building Society Deposit RECEIPTS, at 12s 6d.
T. S. HOOPER,
2 St. James'-road, Sydney.

CHRISTMAS NUMBER OF THE SYDNEY MAIL of all News Agents, Railway and Tramway Bookstalls.

HOLDSWORTH, MACPHERSON, and CO.'S Window. Parkes, Dibbs, and Reid at dinner. Worth seeing.

NOTHING better or cheaper in the Market. Graham's Estates, M'ckville, for absolute clearance To-morrow

TIVOLI THEATRE.
Sole Lessee and Manager ... Mr. Harry Rickards.
CONTINUED PHENOMENAL SUCCESS of

Mr. HARRY RICKARDS'S

New Tivoli Minstrels and Specialty Company.
Enormous Success and Enthusiastic Reception of
Miss MAY LOVINGTON
Miss MAY LOVINGTON,
who created a Perfect Furore by her Artistic Hungarian and Character Dances,
being recalled again and again.
Instantaneous Success of the First Production of

Mr. GEO. H. WOOD'S

Original Version of the Screaming Farce, entitled SPOOKS.
Cæsar Jenkins ... Mr. GEO. H. WOOD.
Other characters by Messrs. W. Akerman, H. Fitzmaurice, A. Lawton, and Miss Ada Baker,
causing Shrieks after Shrieks of Laughter.
Unabated Success of

Mr. J. W. WINTON,

the only Whistling Ventriloquist living.
POPE and SAYLES ADA BAKER
MILFORD HAVEN ANDERSON SISTERS
HARRY FITZMAURICE MYRA LODGE
SONNY PARLATTO LAWTON and SPENCER
W. H. SPEED BILLY AKARMAN.
[16] LINGER LONGER LOO,
by our Sixteen Tivoli Ballerinas,
and the Whole of our Grand Double Company.
WATCH SATURDAY'S ADVERTISEMENTS.

TEN NEW ARTISTS. TEN

Prices: 2s, 1s, and 6d. Plan at Paling's. Tel., 353.
Business Manager: JOHN C. LIETZ.

AN ACKNOWLEDGED FACT.
That our CUTTERS are the BEST in the CITY, and as we import all our Materials direct from the mills, we can supply our customers with a suit for 63s that will cost fully 25 more per cent. elsewhere.

COUNTRY CUSTOMERS, please write for Patterns and our Complete Self-measurement System. Complete satisfaction assured to all. Our Address—

HAGON BROS.,
Merchant Tailors, 150 Pitt-street, and 107-9 Oxford-street.

XMAS AND NEW YEAR HOLIDAYS, 1894-5.
POPULAR EXCURSIONS
to the
HAWKESBURY RIVER AND PORT HACKING.
Weather permitting, from wharf foot of Market-street, at 10 a.m. sharp:—
BOXING DAY (26th DECEMBER), and NEW YEAR'S DAY (1st JANUARY).
S.S. NEWCASTLE, 1281 tons, to COWAN BAY
S.S. NAMOI, 1414 tons, to CARELL BAY
S.S. MAITLAND, 980 tons, to PORT HACKING.
BAND ENGAGED FOR EACH STEAMER.
Luncheon, 1s 6d, provided by the Company. Also, REFRESHMENTS at MODERATE RATES.
Excursionists landed for about 3 hours, arriving in Sydney on return about 6 p.m.
3s, RETURN FARES, 3s.
Children, Half-price.
SATURDAY AFTERNOON EXCURSIONS:
S.S. NAMOI, SATURDAY Next, 22nd December, at 2 p.m., to Hawkesbury Bridge and round Dangar Island.
S.S. NEWCASTLE, SATURDAY, 29th December, at 2 p.m., to Cowan Bay, Hawkesbury River. Tea, 1s, provided by the Company, and Refreshments at moderate rates.
Excursionists landed for about an hour on the 29th, arriving in Sydney on return about 7 p.m. Return fare, 2s. Children, half-price.
F. J. THOMAS, Manager.
The N. and R. S. S. Co., Ltd., 147 Sussex-street.

CHRISTMAS NUMBER OF THE SYDNEY MAIL Now Ready. Price, 6d.

NOTHING better or cheaper in the Market. Graham's Estates, M'ckville, for absolute clearance To-morrow.

BROWN'S Estate, North Shore, Chatswood and Gordon Lands, THIS DAY, at Rms., 11.30 a.m. R. & W., Ltd.

Tenders.

ARTISTS and PAINTERS.—If you want best quality goods for lowest cost, buy from JAMES SANDY and CO., 271 and 330 George-street.

ASYLUM FOR DESTITUTE CHILDREN, RANDWICK.
TENDERS will be received on or before MONDAY Next, 24th instant, for Supplying Fifty (50) Boys' Tweed Suits. Samples may be seen upon application to
JOSEPH COULTER,
Superintendent.

BUILDERS are invited to take out a Policy ON THEIR BUILDINGS IN COURSE OF CONSTRUCTION with the
LIVERPOOL and LONDON and GLOBE INSURANCE COMPANY.
The Great Fire and Life Insurance Company of the World.
LOWEST RATES, EQUITABLE ADJUSTMENTS, PROMPT SETTLEMENTS OF CLAIMS.
Funds exceed £9,000,000.
Head Office for Australasia, Pitt and Spring streets,
Sydney.
M. W. S. CLARKE, Resident Secretary.

GREAT STOCK-REDUCING SALE of PAINTS, OIL, WALL PAPERS, BRUSHES, &c.
V. J. BENNETT and CO., 108 George-street West.
All goods at half price. For one month only.

IMPORTANT NOTICE TO THE BUILDING TRADES.
FRENCH ROOFING TILES at the price of galvanised iron.
The Directors of the Waterloo Patent Concrete Roofing Co., Ltd., have much pleasure in placing on the market their enormous shipment of 400,000 FRENCH ROOFING TILES, which they have, now discharging at Bennett's Wharf, at prices within reach of all, viz.:—
FIRSTS, best quality (uniform colour guaranteed),
£6 the per 1000, or 17s a square.
SECONDS (same quality but unsorted),
£5 15s per 1000, or 14s 6d a square.
HIPS and RIDGES, 3d each (equal to 2d per foot).
Less 5½ per cent. cash discount for the above three lines.
FRENCH TILES make cool, durable, and picturesque roofs, and being no heavier than slates require no additional timbers, whilst the cost, when fixed, is fully
25 PER CENT. CHEAPER THAN SLATES.
THE ORIGINAL FRENCH TILES possess the following: 1. Perfect impermeable Interlocking. 2. Immunity from Leakage. 3. They are lighter in weight by 2lb. a tile, which makes 900lb per square. 4. Being less porous, they absorb less water. 5. They are not of a glaring red colour, but possess the true classic terra-cotta tint.
FRENCH TILES require no special skill in the fixing. Tiles first should ensure a large sale in country districts.
THE WUNDERLICH PATENT CEILING AND ROOFING COMPANY, Limited,
Telephone, 1498. Baptist-street, Redfern.
LOWEST PRICES GIVEN FOR FIXING.

MOUNT BRYSDALE GOLD-MINING SYNDICATE.
COBAR, N.S.W.
TENDERS are invited for the Supplying of the undermentioned Machinery, according to particulars specified hereunder.
Tenders to be addressed to the undersigned, sealed and endorsed "Tender for Machinery."
Tenders to close 1st February, 1895.
The lowest or any tender not necessarily accepted.
2 Huntingdon Mills, 20in. 6in.
1 No. 2 Double Rockbreaker
2 Challenge Ore Feeders
2 Spare Rollers
30ft. 3in. Shafting
Pulleys, Belting, &c.
2 Berdan Pans
1 Frue Vanner.
All other requisites to complete the above as a going concern.
Also, Separate Tender for
20-HEAD STAMPS,
with all modern appliances complete.
By order.
JOHN LEAH,
Secretary.

PAPERHANGERS.—Smart TRADESMAN, tools, 8 a.m. sharp. 99 Victoria-st., Lewisham.

TO PLUMBERS AND DRAINERS.
TENDERS are invited for work required in Connecting eleven Houses, Charlo-street, Forest Lodge, with Sewer.
HERBERT S. THOMPSON,
Architect.
Melbourne-chambers, 89 Pitt-street.

TENDERS wanted for Purchase of a BOILER and FOUR HEAD OF STAMPERS; can be seen at Smelting Works, Edward-street, Pyrmont. Purchaser must remove same before 31st December.
M. METCALFE and CO.,
12 Bridge-street.

TENDERS required for Selling Refreshments (except drinks) at Bridge Racecourse, Christmas afternoon, Boxing Night, Friday Afternoon, New Year's Night. Tenders received until 10 o'clock Sat. night, at Racecourse.

TENDERS for Brickwork and Excavating. Henry Proudfoot, builder, 256 George-st.

TENDERS, Brickwork, labour only. Apply, to-day, Church-st., opp. Argyle quarries, Randwick.

TENDERS wanted for Stairs. E. Flower, on job, Pitt-st., near Goulburn-st.

TENDERS wanted for Flooring. Apply E. Flower, on job, Pitt-st., near Goulburn-st.

TENDERS wanted for Fencing. Apply early on job, Pitt-st., near Goulburn-st. E. Flower.

TENDERS for Carpentry and Plumbing. Apply between 8 a.m. and 9 a.m. 44 Park-st.

THE Auction Sale of Building Materials at Argyle-st., near Kent-st., is at 2.30 o'clock To-day. Dalwood & Co.

TO JOINERS.—TENDERS wanted, for Office-fittings, at Conqueen Tobacco Works, Castlereagh-st.

TO Licensed BRAINERS.—TENDERS wanted for Drainage in rock. T. G. Porter, top William-st.

TO Licensed Plumbers.—TENDERS wanted, for Sanitary Plumbing, at Conqueror Tobacco Wks., Creagh-st.

TO QUARRYMEN.—TENDERS wanted for Excavation of Rock Basement. T. G. Porter, top William-st.

WINEMAKERS' BUSINESS and PLANT for SALE.
TENDERS (separate or collective) are invited and will be received by the undersigned at their offices, No. 8 Cavendish-chambers, Grenfell-street, Adelaide, up to noon of THURSDAY, the third (3rd) day of January, 1895, for the whole or any portion of the undermented Assets, in the Assigned Estate of S. and W. SAGE, viz.:—
LOT 1.—The Freehold Property at Nuriootpa, comprising about 3 acres, together with Buildings thereon constructed for the business of Wine-making.
LOTS 2 to 6.—The various Stocks of Wines and Plant at Nuriootpa, Gawler Park, and Springton, together with Casks and other Vessels at these places.
Terms and conditions can be ascertained and stock-sheets can be inspected at the offices of the undersigned, or at the cellars at Nuriootpa and Gawler Park.
Tenders must be made on a special form, copies of which can be had on application.
Neither the highest nor any tender necessarily accepted.
J. E. THOMAS and W. NEILL,
Agents for the Trustees.
Adelaide, December 12, 1894.

G. E. CRANE and SONS' Showrooms, Pitt-street, Circular Quay.—Marble Mantelpieces, Grates, Tiles, Baths, Gasaliers, Brackets, Globes, large assortment, at lowest prices. Call and inspect our splendid stock.

CEMENT, Plaster, Lead, Iron, Pottery, Slates, Gutters, &c. G. E. Crane and Sons, Pitt-st., Circular Quay.

CHRISTMAS NUMBER OF THE SYDNEY MAIL Now Ready. Price, 6d.

CHRISTMAS NUMBER OF THE SYDNEY MAIL of all News Agents, Railway and Tramway Bookstalls.

DON'T forget that GRAHAM'S ESTATES at Marrickville are for absolute CLEARANCE SALE on the ground, TO-MORROW, to close accounts. Most lots planted with well-grown ornamental trees. Torrens Titles. Easy Terms. An opportunity for Spec. Builders. Plans from W. PRITCHARD and SON, 100 King-street.

CRITERION THEATRE.
IMPORTANT PRELIMINARY ANNOUNCEMENT.
BOXING NIGHT,
WEDNESDAY EVENING, DECEMBER 26,
Return of
Mr. CHARLES ARNOLD'S
ENGLISH COMEDY COMPANY,
and Revival of
THE GREATEST OF ALL SUCCESSES,
CHARLEY'S AUNT.

THE CHRISTMAS AND NEW YEAR NUMBER
OF
THE AUSTRALIAN FIELD

CONTAINS BETWEEN THIRTY AND FORTY BEAUTIFUL ILLUSTRATIONS, INCLUDING TWO FULL-PAGE COLOURED ENGRAVINGS, "WELLINGTON'S VICTORY AT BADAJOS, 1812," AND "THE VILLAGE ORCHESTRA."

THE LEADING ARTICLE, ENTITLED
"PLAIN TRUTHS ABOUT LAND TAXATION,"
SHOULD BE READ BY EVERY COUNTRY RESIDENT.

66 PAGES OF READING AND PICTURES.

Send ORDER for AUSTRALIAN FIELD with 6s P.O.O. or Stamps to MANAGER, Box 510, G.P.O., or 180 CLARENCE-STREET, SYDNEY, and it will be forwarded for 12 MONTHS POST FREE.

IMMENSE REDUCTION,
THIS WEEK ONLY.

FURNITURE. BEDSTEADS. CARPETS. BEDDING.

USEFUL CHRISTMAS AND WEDDING PRESENTS. FORTY CASES ENGLISH FURNITURE, JUST ARRIVED EX ARISTIDES.

A. HALL AND COMPANY,
CORNER GEORGE AND LIVERPOOL STREETS.

HALL'S NEW ILLUSTRATED CATALOGUE POST FREE.

Auction Sales.

GREAT XMAS AUCTION SALE.

THIS DAY, FRIDAY, DECEMBER 21, at 11 a.m.

MOST IMPORTANT ANNOUNCEMENT to LADIES and GENTLEMEN Furnishing in Good Taste, MUSICAL PROFESSION, and the GENERAL FURNISHING PUBLIC.

GRAND UNRESERVED SALE by Public Auction, THIS DAY, at 11 a.m., at the OLD BANK AUCTION ROOMS, 322 GEORGE-STREET, between G.P.O. and Hunter-street, of the SPLENDID ASSORTMENT of HOUSEHOLD FURNITURE and EFFECTS.

SEVERAL HIGH-CLASS PIANOFORTES by well-known Makers.

On account of various interests, AND FOR ABSOLUTE UNRESERVED SALE. Consisting of a CHICELY-SELECTED CONSIGNMENT of BEST SHEFFIELD ELECTROPLATE, to suit the Xmas Requirements. SUPERIOR STAFFORDSHIRE CHINAWARE, in Tea and Breakfast Sets. MAGNIFICENT DINNER SERVICES, Dessert Sets, and Toilet Sets. SOLID WALNUT DINING-ROOM FURNITURE in excellent condition. BRUSSELS CARPETS and RUGS, Stair Carpets and Mats. SPLENDID PAIR-PEDESTAL SITTING TABLE, Spring-back Library Chair. SUPERIOR FLAT-TOP PEDESTAL DESK, Library Easy Chair to Morocco. EIGHT-FOOT BAGATELLE BOARD, with Balls, Cues, &c., complete. MAGNIFICENT UPRIGHT GRAND PIANOFORTE, iron frame, trichord, overstrung, in splendid order, by the celebrated makers HOELLING and SPANGENBERG. HIGH-CLASS UPRIGHT GRAND PIANOFORTE a elegant figured walnut case, almost new, by the well-known makers Carl Webber. SWEET-TONED TRIPLE-STRUNG GRAND PIANOFORTE by the celebrated makers John Brinsmead and Son. Also SEVERAL OTHER SMALLER PIANOFORTES in very good condition. SOLID CARVED WALNUT BEDROOM FURNITURE in the Louis style. MASSIVE BRASS-MOUNTED BEDSTEADS and BEDDING of the best quality, and OTHER HOUSEHOLD EFFECTS too numerous to particularize. Also will be SOLD DURING THIS AFTERNOON a splendid lot BOOKS, BOOKS, BOOKS, including the library of the late Mr. WALTER AKHURST, ANNANDALE. Miss MURNIN, BOWRAL, and Mrs. DEACON, Parramatta, having been purchased by the SPACIOUS AUCTION ROOMS for the convenience of buyers.

WALTER BRADLEY and CO. have pleasure in announcing to ladies and gentlemen requiring superior Furniture and Pianofortes that they will open the above Sale this day in their Spacious Auction Rooms, 322 George-street, THIS DAY, at 11 a.m.

TERMS, CASH.

THIS DAY, FRIDAY, at 12 o'clock noon.

By order of W. Kaznewsky, Esq.

SINGLE-SEATED HOODED BUGGY, HORSE, and HARNESS.

A really comfortable turnout, and in tiptop order.

Stands tram, and can be driven by a lady.

☞ Splendid Chance for the Holidays.

WALTER BRADLEY and CO. have received instructions from Mr. Kaznewsky to SELL by auction, On above, THIS DAY, Friday, at 12 o'clock noon.

TERMS, CASH.

THIS DAY, 10.30 o'clock, AT OUR ROOMS, 274 PITT-STREET, CITY.

A LARGE LIBRARY of BOOKS, comprising Old Australian Works, Histories, Old Charts, and Picture of Sydney in 1835. Swords, Euphonium, and Sundries. Also, 6 YEARS' FILE OF THE S. M. HERALD from 1886.

This is a splendid Chance for Literary Men, and should not be neglected.

Following this Sale we will submit QUANTITY FANCY GOODS, TOYS, &c., &c.

DALWOOD and CO. will sell the above, WITHOUT RESERVE.

THIS DAY, at 2.30.

On the PREMISES, FIVE SHOPS and DWELLINGS, ARGYLE-STREET, NEAR KENT-STREET.

BUILDING MATERIALS, IN LOTS.

20,000 full-sized Bricks, 200 Sheets Gal. Iron, 500 Joists Rafters, Studs, Flooring, Lining, Shop Windows, Doors Sashes, Mantelpieces, Grates, Patent Closets, Dressed Stone, &c.

A LARGE QUANTITY and AN EXCELLENT LOT of BUILDING MATERIALS.

DALWOOD and CO. will sell the above WITHOUT RESERVE.

POSTPONED TILL MONDAY, DECEMBER 24.

TO JEWELLERS, JEWELLERY DEALERS, AND OTHERS.

In the BANKRUPT ESTATE of G. E. RICHARDSON, Jeweller, of Church-street, PARRAMATTA.

MONDAY NEXT, DECEMBER 24, at 11 o'clock, AT OUR ROOMS, 274 PITT-STREET.

FINE JEWELLER'S SHOW CASES, fitted with drawers, sliding doors, &c., WATCH-GLASS CABINET with 4 trays, drawers, large SHOW CASES, LARGE QUANTITY WATCH GLASSES, 20 AMERICAN WALNUT CLOCKS, REGULATOR CLOCK, ALARM CLOCKS, SPECIMEN WATCHES, GOLD and SILVER BROOCHES, QUANTITY OF GILT and METAL JEWELLERY, &c., &c., &c.

DALWOOD and CO. have received instructions from K. F. GIBLIN, Esq., OFFICIAL ASSIGNEE, to sell the above, WITHOUT RESERVE.

JOHN P. LISTER will sell by auction, at the Rooms, 90A Pitt-street, THIS DAY,

The unredeemed sundries and jewellery pledged with Mr. O. Bornstein, of Liverpool-street :—

At 11 o'clock, sundries, comprising field and opera glasses, cutlery, E.P. ware, books, albums, clocks, revolvers, &c.

At 12 o'clock, jewellery, consisting of gold and silver watches, gold albertu, chains, necklets, lockets, brooches, earrings, pins, studs, and solitaires; diamond, garnet, keeper, wedding rings.

THIS DAY, Friday, at 11 o'clock.

70 Tubs Fancy Biscuits, Tinsdales, &c.

JOHN P. LISTER will sell by auction, at his Rooms, the Labour Bazaar, 247a Pitt-street,

SUPERIOR SUBSTANTIAL HOUSEHOLD FURNITURE, &c., &c., comprising

Dining, drawing, and bedroom suites, pier glasses, carpets, linoleums, pictures, glass and china ware, cutlery, couches, chairs, 16 double and single bedsteads, &c., washstands, chests drawers, kitchen tables, dressers, safes, sundries, &c.

THIS (FRIDAY) AFTERNOON, 2.30 o'clock. Continuation and Final Sale VARIETY SHOP, Natatorium Buildings, Pitt-street.

J. P. LISTER will sell as above the balance of Stock of valuable books, old china, paintings, engravings, surveying and drawing instruments, and a very large lot of sundries. NO RESERVE. FINAL CLEARANCE.

FINAL AUCTION SALE of FIRST-CLASS BUILDING MATERIALS, on the Premises, No. 358 CROWN-STREET, the late Residence of T. IVORY, Esq., consisting of 80 SHEETS 6ft. to 10ft. GALVANISED IRON, 20 CEDAR DOORS, 12 BOX FRAMES, 10,000ft. HARDWOOD and PINE FLOORING, 300 perch Chisel-dressed STONE, 300 8 x 3½ JOISTS, LINING and WEATHER BOARDS, 4 x 2½ RAFTERS, Large Quantity of Sundries.

JAMES COWAN, 326 Pitt-street, will sell by public auction the whole of the above materials in lots to suit purchasers, THIS DAY, 21st December, at 11 o'clock.

TERMS, CASH. NO RESERVE.

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 22, at 3, Marrickville, L'hardt. In the Estate of the late THOS. NEWBY.

R. CROFLEY, 393 Pitt-street, has received instructions from the Executors in the above deceased estate to sell by public auction, Household furniture, piano, American organ, inlaid table, chairs, overmantel, sideboard, cabinet (E. G. back), bedsteads, drawers, wardrobe, crockery, kitchen utensils, &c., &c.; 1 grey mare. Also land, having 50ft. frontage to Marion-street, by a depth of 100ft., on which is built brick cottage, 5 rooms, kitchen, copy, conveyance. Stables and sheds, &c.

No Reserve. Terms at Sale.

Auction Sales.

THIS DAY, FRIDAY.

ORDER OF SALE CITY and SUBURBAN PROPERTIES, to be SOLD BY PUBLIC AUCTION, at the ROOMS, PITT-STREET, at 11.30 a.m. THIS DAY, FRIDAY,

HYDE PARK.—House, No. 82 Francis-street, off College-street, city. Mortgagee's sale.

CITY.—Shop and Dwelling, No. 231 Oxford-street, corner of Bartlett-lane, opposite Sacred Heart Church.

SURRY HILLS.—Four Houses, Nos. 148 to 154, Macquarie-street South, and 3 Houses, Beaufort-street, between Gipps and Albion streets.

DARLINGTON.—Corner Block, consisting of four Houses, Nos. 53 to 59, Myrtle-street, and Shop and 6 Houses, Nos. 45 to 57 Pine-street, city.

SURRY HILLS.—Shop and Dwelling, No. 350 Crown-street, between Campbell and Goulburn streets.

PADDINGTON.—Two Houses, Nos. 3 and 4 Victoria-lane, between Elizabeth and William streets.

DITTO.—Two Houses, Nos. 7 and 8 Victoria-lane, just off Underwood-street.

MOSMAN'S BAY.—Allotment, Canrobert, Raglan, and Pitzroy streets. Deceased estate.

DITTO.—Lots 8 and 9, Mrs. Muston's subdivision, Muston-street, east of Military-road. Deceased estate.

DITTO.—Cottage and Land, Mandelong-road and Arthur-street, close to electric tram terminus.

CITY.—WILLOW TREE HOTEL, Athlone-place and Owen-street, off George-street West. In Equity.

PETERSHAM.—House, Margaret-street, near Johnson's Paddock and Parramatta-road. In Equity.

BROWN'S Estate, deceased.

NORTH SYDNEY.—Woodstock, Lane Cove-road, subdivided into house portion and 46ft. frontage.

DITTO.—5 Lots, Lane Cove-road, 19 x 100.

DITTO.—Corner Lane Cove-road and Bay-road, 31 x 100.

DITTO.—6 Lots, Bay-road, 20 x 100, and Cottage.

DITTO.—3 Lots, Lane Cove-road, adjoining Woodstock, each 20 x 200.

DITTO.—Corner Lot, Lane Cove-road and M'Laren-street.

DITTO.—3 Allotments, Lane Cove-road and Burton-street, opposite Woodstock.

DITTO.—Allotment, Lane Cove-road, near M'Laren-street, with Cottages and Shop thereon.

DITTO.—Allotment, Cottages and Shop thereon, corner of Bartlett-lane, opposite Sacred Heart Church.

MANLY.—Corner Site, Victoria-parade and Darley-road, Bassett Darley Estate.

DITTO.—Allotment, Balgowlah-road and Crescent-street, Thornton's subdivision.

PITTWATER.—Block of Land, lots 16 and 17 of Southern Division of Pittwater Estate, on road between Bradley-road and Pittwater Harbour; area 14a. 1r. 14p.

GOULBURN.—City Fleurmille, Clinton and Auburn streets, with all plant, &c.

CLIFTON.—By order of the Hon. the Minister for Public Instruction, 1-acre of land, with old Public School thereon.

HOLT SUTHERLAND ESTATE.—Various Leasehold Areas.

RICHARDSON and WRENCH, Limited.

MORMAN'S BAY.—ALLOTMENT No. 8, sec. 2, Pahle's Subdivision, having frontages of 77ft. to MANDELONG-ROAD and 66ft. to ARTHUR-STREET, depth through 200ft., on which is erected a Weatherboard COTTAGE, containing 3 rooms, kitchen, and bath-room, house, vegetable and flower garden, situate close to the tram terminus at junction of Military and Spit roads. AUCTION SALE on the PREMISES THIS DAY, Friday, 21st DECEMBER, at 11 o'clock.

RICHARDSON and WRENCH, Limited. (716)

RICHARDSON and WRENCH, Ltd., will sell by auction, in the Rooms, Pitt-street, THIS DAY, Friday, at 11.30 a.m., Leases, portions of Holt-Sutherland Estate.

BANKRUPT ESTATE OF J. M. GILLIES.

THIS DAY, FRIDAY, at 11 a.m., in the Rooms, 267 George-street. By Order of W. H. Palmer, Esq., Official Assignee.

The Official Assignee's Right, Title, and Interest (if any) in and to Lots 31 and 32 of Section E of the GRAFTON ESTATE, with House erected thereon.

C. F. W. LLOYD and CO. will sell by auction, as above. TERMS, CASH.

MARRICKVILLE.

BUSINESS AND VILLA SITES.

FOR ABSOLUTE SALE TO CLOSE ACCOUNTS.

SUBDIVISIONS OF GRAHAM'S NURSERY, fronting Livingstone-road, Lilydale and Stanley streets.

Also, ALLOTMENTS, fronting Frances-street and Livingstone-road.

Freehold and Torrens Titles. Small Deposit. Easy Terms.

W. PRITCHARD and SON have been instructed (for the purpose of closing accounts) to sell by public auction, on the Ground, TO-MORROW, SATURDAY, 22nd INSTANT, the above properties, well known as the choicest sites in Marrickville, surrounded by first-class properties, adjoining tramline, and close to railway station.

PLANS at the Rooms, 100 King-street.

CHRISTMAS NUMBER OF THE SYDNEY MAIL Now Ready. Price, 6d.

In the Metropolitan, Suburban, and Hunter District Court, Sydney.
HOLE AND OTHERS v. KNOWLES, and claim for rent.

ON FRIDAY, the 21st day of December, 1894, at 11 o'clock in the forenoon, pursuant to a Writ of Fieri Facias issued in this cause, and claim for rent, unless the same be previously satisfied, the goods and chattels of the above-named defendant, viz., office furniture, &c., will be sold by public auction, at Rowe-street, Sydney. Dated this 20th day of December, 1894. JOHN BISHOP, Bailiff.

In the Metropolitan, Suburban, and Hunter District Court, holden at Sydney.
J. W. ABIGAIL v. W. BULPIN AND WIFE.

ON FRIDAY, the 21st day of December, 1894, at 11 o'clock in the forenoon, pursuant to a Writ of Fieri Facias issued in this cause, unless the same be previously satisfied, all the right, title, and interest, if any, of Alice Bulpin, female defendant, herein, of, in, and to all the household furniture and effects on the premises occupied by the defendants at 2 George-street West, Sydney, and comprised in the bill of sale given by Alice Bulpin to King and Co. to secure payment to King and Co. for money advanced to Alice Bulpin, will be sold by public auction, at the Courthouse gates, King-street, Sydney. Dated this 20th day of December, 1894. JOHN BISHOP, Bailiff.

In the Metropolitan Suburban and Hunter District Court Holden at Sydney.

No. of Plaint, 2526 of 1894.—No. of Warrant, 538 of 1894.

JOSEPH REDE LUCAS v. FRANK M'GUINNESS.

ON SATURDAY, the 22nd day of December, 1894, at the hour at 10.30 in the forenoon, unless the Writ of Fieri Facias herein be previously satisfied, the Registrar of the above Court will sell by public auction, at the Court House, Macquarie-street, Sydney.

All the right, title, and interest (if any) of the above-named defendant, Frank M'Guinness, of in and to all that piece or parcel of land containing by admeasurement, 2½ perches, situate at Leichhardt, Parish of Petersham, County of Cumberland, and being the whole of the land comprised in certificate of title, dated 2nd July, 1889, reg. vol. 930, folio 16.

And also of and to all that piece or parcel of land containing by admeasurement 24 perches, situate near Dulls Punt, Parish of St. George, County of Cumberland, and being the whole of the land comprised in certificate of title, dated 14th March, 1894, reg. vol. 1122, fol. 118.

Terms, Cash.

No cheques taken.

(Sd.) WM. JOHN HALLORAN, Registrar.

JOHN HOWARTH, Plaintiff's Attorney, Parrell's-chambers, 72 King-street, Sydney.

CHRISTMAS NUMBER OF THE SYDNEY MAIL.

HOLDSWORTH, MACPHERSON, and CO.'S Window. Parkes, Dibbs, and Reid at dinner. Worth seeing.

DON'T forget that GRAHAM'S ESTATE at Marrickville are for absolute CLEARANCE SALE on the Ground, TO-MORROW, to close accounts. Most lots planted with well-grown ornamental trees. Torrens Titles. Easy Terms. An opportunity for Spec. Builders. Plans from W. PRITCHARD and SON, 109 King-street.

ALL Sceptics and doubting Thomases to come to Chowder Bay on Boxing Day. Air Ship Trial Flight.

BROWN'S Estate, North Shore, Chatswood and Gordon Lands, THIS DAY, at Exp., 11.30 a.m. S. & W., Ltd.

NEW SOUTH WALES PARLIAMENT.

LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 20.

The PRESIDENT took the chair at half-past 4 o'clock.

RESIGNATION OF A MEMBER.

Mr. PRESIDENT announced the receipt of a letter from his Excellency the Governor intimating that the Hon. G. B. Simpson had resigned his seat as a member of the Legislative Council.

PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH PROPERTY BILL.

Mr. PIGOTT moved,—"That so much of the Standing Orders be suspended as would preclude the passing of the Presbyterian Church Property Management Amendment Bill through all its stages during one sitting of the Council."

The motion was agreed to.

ADDITIONAL SITTING DAY.

On the motion of the VICE-PRESIDENT OF THE EXECUTIVE COUNCIL it was resolved that unless otherwise ordered the House should meet for the despatch of business at 4 o'clock on Friday next, and that Government business should take precedence of general business on that day.

STANDARD TIME BILL.

On the motion of the VICE-PRESIDENT OF THE EXECUTIVE COUNCIL the Standard Time Bill was read the third time, passed, and returned to the Assembly without amendment.

APPROPRIATION BILL.

Mr. PRESIDENT announced the receipt of a message from the Legislative Assembly forwarding the Appropriation Bill for concurrence.

On the motion of the VICE-PRESIDENT OF THE EXECUTIVE COUNCIL the bill was read the first time.

The VICE-PRESIDENT OF THE EXECUTIVE COUNCIL then moved the second reading of the bill.

Mr. DAVIES said that before the House gave its assent to the bill it should receive some information with reference to one or two items. First of all there was the provision made for labour settlements to the amount of £5000. (Mr. JACOB: "Hear, hear.") As the Appropriation Bill simply covered the vote for the half-year that would mean £10,000 for the year. Then in the Supplementary Estimates there was a sum of £3650 for labour settlements. That, he presumed, was also the amount for the half-year, so that hon. members would see that there was £13,650 down for these labour settlements. (Mr. JACOB: "Hear, hear.") He did not think it would be a prudent thing to assent to the second reading of the bill without being supplied with the fullest information. He would also like to know, with reference to the item of £431 13s 4d, salary payable to Mr. J. P. Thomson, Government Land Valuator, whether the Government had dispensed with that gentleman's services, and retained them of a gentleman named Mr. Waller. With reference to the sum of £330, which the House struck out of the Labour Settlements Bill, the House was entitled to know whether that was included in the sums placed on the Estimates.

Mr. JACOB said he thought that the hon. gentleman had drawn attention to some important matters which should be taken into serious consideration. He, however, wished to draw special attention to the 15th clause of the bill, which authorised the Government to expend on roads and bridges the sum of £216,000, which was saved by the late Government last year. (Hear, hear.)

Dr. MACLAURIN said that the House would never have assented to the Labour Settlements Bill at all if it had known that the Government intended such an extravagant expenditure as that which they proposed, and that a matter of such importance upon which they ought to have some explanation. (Hear, hear.) It seemed to him that nothing which had happened in connection with the labour settlements of the colony would justify the Government in doubling the expenditure which actually took place last year. He also wished to refer to the 15th clause of the bill, which was an important an unusual clause. (Mr. JACOB: "Hear, hear.") He thought it referred to the £216,000 which was written off by the late Government, inasmuch as it had not been expended upon the roads and bridges of the colony for 1893. (Hear, hear.) That was part of the savings of the Dibbs Government at a time when there was an unexampled crisis in the colony, and when the Government made a determined effort to bring the expenditure within the income. They were successful in this, and were able to show a credit balance of £69,000 as the result of strict and rigid frugality. In accordance with the law, that £216,000 was written off, and by law it was no longer available; yet by clause 15 of the bill the Government said to the late Government, "It is quite true that you saved this £216,000; but you ought not to have saved it, and we shall spend it now." Was that a reasonable thing? It certainly never thought that it was an extraordinary kind of bookkeeping.

Mr. HOSKINS: Will the Auditor-General pass it?

Dr. MACLAURIN said he could not help passing it, because this 15th clause knocked away the law which said that the money should not be expended. He objected to it.

Mr. DANGAR said that there were a number of objectionable items in the bill, and one was the vote under the head of the Secretary for Mines and Agriculture of £10,495 for the prevention of scab in sheep. There was a matter of fact there were scarcely any sheep from one end of the colony to the other, and this was one of the shameful expenditures by which the colony was annually fleeced.

Mr. HOSKINS said he did not think the present Government was more blamable than the late Government in sending the Appropriation Bill to the House without giving time for its consideration, because of late years it seemed to be the usual course. He was astonished at the votes which appeared on the Estimates for the labour settlements, and he thought that Mr. Thomson, the land valuator, had been very unfairly and cruelly treated by the late Minister for Works.

Mr. TRICKETT said that it was one of the most unwise things the late Government ever did to allow the roads and bridges to get out of repair. (Mr. DANGAR: "It was very plucky thing to do.") It was a very silly thing, because, unless a Local Government Act was provided to enable the people to tax themselves for their own local works, the roads and bridges must be kept in proper order.

The ATTORNEY-GENERAL said that, with regard to the vote for labour settlements, the £5340 was for services for 1893, and had nothing whatever to do with the coming half-year. With reference to the £3000, the late Government in 1893 introduced a Labour Settlements Bill, in which provision was made for an expenditure estimated at something like £2000, and he found that in 1894 the late Government proposed another bill, in which the expenditure was nearly doubled. If, therefore, the late Government found it necessary to expend the sum of nearly £6000 on these labour settlements the present Government could hardly be found fault with for coming forward with a proposition to expend another £3000.

Dr. MACLAURIN: And the Auditor-General?

The ATTORNEY-GENERAL said he was not there to support the labour settlements, but they seemed to be fixed on the country like the old man on Sinbad the Sailor, and he supposed they must carry them out. He might say further that if he had been a member of the Government when they were proposed, he would not have given his consent to them for one moment, for in regard to some of them at least the land would hardly support a bandicoot—(hear, hear)—and they might as well try to grow fruit upon ice as in such a quarry. (Laughter.) But these things could not be wiped out altogether without repudiation, and provision must be made to carry them on. As to the other amount for labour settlements, it was intended to expend it in the way of forming farms or village settlements in richer districts, like the Richmond River and Tweed districts. With that additional sum of £5000 the Government would endeavour to find legitimate employment for those who were willing to seek for work. With regard to the 15th clause of the Appropriation Bill, hon. members might remember that some time ago a Local Government Bill was dangled before the eyes of the public, and the Parliament and the Assembly voted £600,000 to enable the Government of the day to carry out the provisions of that bill. That being so, the roads and bridges vote, if not wiped out altogether, was considerably curtailed, because it was pointed out that inasmuch as at a very early date the Local Government Bill would be introduced, it would save the expenditure upon roads and bridges. There was, however, a universal complaint that although these roads and bridges had been constructed they had been allowed to get into a state of disrepair over all parts of the country, and these complaints were still coming in. The whole government question met with its usual fate, and thus it turned out that there was a sum of £216,000 left unexpended.

Dr. MACLAURIN: Written off.

The ATTORNEY-GENERAL: Written off in one way, but it did not die for two years, and the two years not having expired the £216,000 still remained at the disposal of the Government. In order to prevent the vote from lapsing it was brought forward so as to enable the Government to devote the money to the purpose for which it ought to have been devoted that year, namely, the repair of roads and bridges. In a report from the Public Works Department it was suggested that it would be better to curtail new works and use the money in the repair of works already constructed. (Hear, hear.) As this £216,000 was available for that purpose the Government thought that instead of allowing it to die out it should be devoted to the very purpose for which it was originally intended. With regard to the £330, the amount which the House struck out of the Labour Settlements Bill, he might say that if he thought that the promise of the Minister for Lands that this sum should not be used would not be carried out, he would not remain in this or any other Ministry for 48 hours. The Premier had, however, asked him to give his assurance that not one farthing of the £330 was included in the labour settlements votes.

Mr. C. G. HEYDON said that the Attorney-General's explanation with regard to the 15th clause of the Appropriation Bill was not at all satisfactory. There was no justification for including in the bill a sum of £216,000, which was saved by the last Ministry. This £216,000 could not be expended by the Government this year, and what they wanted was that the money should be available for next year. The amount was written off by the late Government, and what the Government were now proposing to do was equivalent to drawing a cheque and debiting it to someone else's account. (Hear, hear.) Apart altogether from the amount having been written off, it would lapse at the end of the present year, and that was why the 15th clause was placed in this bill. The Government wished to keep it in the account for this year so as to make it appear that they should vote for the motion, as it was a most improper clause to insert in the bill.

The motion for the second reading of the bill was then put and carried without division, and the House having gone into committee to consider the bill in detail,

Upon clause 15 being proposed,

Mr. C. G. HEYDON said he hoped the clause would be negatived, and that some opportunity would be given to the House of expressing its will in regard to it.

Dr. MACLAURIN said that the present Government proposed for the first six months of the ensuing year to appropriate £280,000 of the public money, which they had no means of getting.

Mr. DAVIES said that this 15th clause was most irregular, and he did not remember seeing it in any other Appropriation Bill.

Mr. C. G. HEYDON moved the omission of the clause.

The CHAIRMAN said that course would not be necessary, as the House could either carry or negative it when it was put from the Chair.

The motion that the clause as read stand part of the bill was then put, and the committee divided, with the following result :—

AYES, 16.

Sutter	Burdett Smith	Dalton	
Want	Creed	Vickery	Tellers.
White	Stephen	Kater	
Macintosh			

NOES, 13.

Heydon, C. G.	Charley	Roberts, E. H.	
MacLaurin, Dr.	Davies	Moses	
Watson	Hoskins	Dangar	Tellers.
Kerr	Hill	Cox	
Parott			

The clause was therefore negatived.

Clauses 16, 17, and 18 having been agreed to, the Chairman, on the motion of the Vice-President of the Executive Council, left the chair.

ADJOURNMENT.

The House, at 5 minutes past 9 o'clock, adjourned until 4 o'clock on the following day.

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 19.

When we went to press with our first edition yesterday the House was in Committee of Supply considering the Additional Estimates. The following is a continuation of the report of the proceedings. After further discussion,

Mr. MILLER moved that the item "District Surveyors—to restore salaries to 30th June, 1895, £650," be omitted.

The amendment was negatived by 42 votes to 28.

The total vote as reduced to £29,661 4s 6d was agreed to.

ADDITIONAL SUPPLEMENTARY ESTIMATES.

Further Supplementary Estimates, £29,485 17s 11d, were passed on the voices.

The PREMIER moved that progress be reported.

The motion was agreed to, and leave was given to sit later in the day.

THE PASTURAGE BILL.

A message was received from the Legislative Council notifying that the Pasturage Bill had been agreed to with amendments.

The PREMIER succeeded in getting the amendments considered, and they were agreed to after he had assured the House that no main principals had been affected. It was then directed that a message be sent to the Legislative Council intimating the Assembly's agreement with their amendments to the bill.

WAYS AND MEANS.

The SPEAKER left the chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of Ways and Means.

The PREMIER said he would accept that amendment. £23,030 was the most they could afford in the next six months. It was an experimental supplementary service of the year 1894 and previous years, the sum of £437,340 13s 11d to be granted out of the Consolidated Revenue Fund of New South Wales."

The motion was agreed to.

The PREMIER moved,—"That, towards making good the supply granted to her Majesty for a period from the 1st January to the 30th June, 1894, inclusive of both dates, the sum of £3,494,283 4s 6d be granted out of the Consolidated Revenue Fund of New South Wales."

Sir GEORGE DIBBS said that was an item which he would like to consider for a few minutes, because from a constitutional point of view, a Parliamentary point of view, and a legal point of view, the Government could not do what the Treasurer was now seeking to do. The Treasurer in his financial statement told the House that he could clearly that he would have a shortage in his income from the 1st January to the 30th June, of £280,000. The committee had voted, as a preliminary step to reaching the Appropriation Bill in the Committee of Supply, the sum of £3,213,283 for the expenditure for the six months, with the exception of some reductions amounting to about £40,000. The Government proposed to cover, by a resolution of Ways and Means, a larger sum of money than the Treasurer had told them he should have available for the purpose of meeting the votes that the House had arrived at. If the retrenchment party was honest and sincere, there was an opportunity for them to reduce the expenditure for the six months, and the sum asked for to be covered by the Committee of Ways and Means should be equal to the sum voted in Committee of Supply.

The PREMIER said the House had just done what the hon. member was objecting to. The House had just passed a resolution to grant £437,340 13s 11d for the supplementaries for the whole year, namely, the £3,494,283 4s 6d. The Treasurer had shown that there would be available for the purpose of meeting the votes that the House had arrived at. If the retrenchment party was honest and sincere, there was an opportunity for them to reduce the expenditure for the six months, and the sum asked to be covered by the Committee of Ways and Means should be equal to the sum voted in Committee of Supply.

The PREMIER said the House had just done what the hon. member was objecting to. The House had just passed a resolution to grant £437,340 13s 11d for the supplementaries for the whole year, namely, the £3,494,283 4s 6d. The Treasurer had shown the revenue shown from those services for 1894.

Sir GEORGE DIBBS said that as the Government had already got votes for £280,000 more than their estimates of revenue had shown that they were likely to receive, he suggested that in the absence of any statement by the Premier as to how he proposed to raise his revenue from direct taxation the Government should make up the deficiency by the issue of Treasury bills. The Treasurer was compelled in honesty to make his income balance with his expenditure, and he thought he might say in some colony which would enable him to save the country, he was bound to show that his means of raising revenue were legitimate, and that he was not going to bind the House down to an excessive expenditure—an expenditure beyond their means as a colony. When the resolution was before the House he would test the matter by a reduction, and he would ask the retrenchment party to do their duty by limiting the amount to be granted. He would ask the House to deduct from the total amount asked for by resolution an amount equal to that which the Treasurer said he had not the amount to pay.

The PREMIER said the hon. member opposite said that the position he took up was that they should provide the machinery for Treasury bills before they passed that formal stage. There was no such necessity, and no such course had ever been known in finance. If the consolidated revenue fund ran short, then the Treasurer could issue Treasury Bills to meet the deficiency. Parliament would be sitting for three months, and the idea that Parliament had granted him those ways and means was a guarantee that Parliament would grant him the Treasury bills if they were wanted. He put that before the committee when he moved the supply granted to Her Majesty for the first six months of the year 1894, and he thought the hon. member's address was made for another place, and not for that House. The last Appropriation Bill by the hon. member, Sir George Dibbs, was for a total amount of £10,182,000, and the total revenue was shown to be £9,951,000, or £231,000 short. His present conviction was that if there was any deficiency at all it would be of the most trivial character. The proposition he made would be a long way better than he thought at the time.

The motion was agreed to.

The CHAIRMAN left the chair and reported the resolution to the Speaker.

On the motion that the resolution of Committee of Ways and Means be read the second time,

Sir GEORGE DIBBS moved the reduction of the amount named in resolution No. 4 by £280,000.

The amendment was negatived on division by 55 votes to 7, the minority consisting of Sir George Dibbs, Messrs. J. Morgan, Hassall, Ellis, Miller, Kidd, and Price.

The PREMIER then brought in the Appropriation Bill, founded on the resolutions of Ways and Means, and moved that it be read the first time.

The motion was agreed to, and the bill was read the first time.

The bill was then read the second time.

The House having resolved itself into Committee of the Whole to consider the bill in detail, clauses 1 to 14 were agreed to.

Clause 15, "Extension of time for expenditure of balance of a vote."

The PREMIER said that this clause covered the outlay which would be necessitated by putting back to the roads and bridges the £216,000 which Parliament had decided should be expended on the roads. The bill provided that the money should be disposed of in the way of endowments to boroughs, municipal districts and shires, and should be available for expenditure on roads and bridges of the colony until the 31st of December, 1895.

After some debate,

The PREMIER said the Government proposed that some of the bridges in the country districts should be made safe and sound and fit for traffic. This would cost £67,000. With regard to the balance, the expenditure by the Government was to adhere as closely as possible to the original schedule for 1893. It did not intend to give any money to those roads which already had their full share.

The MINISTER FOR WORKS said that the matter would be sent where it was wanted to the full extent. The Government could not spend all the money on classified roads; some would have to be spent on unclassified roads.

Sir GEORGE DIBBS said the bill contained the most corrupt bribery clause that was ever included in a measure.

The clause was then agreed to.

The remaining clauses were passed, and the bill was reported to the House with amendment. The report was adopted.

The bill was then read the third time, passed, and it was ordered that the bill be forwarded to the Legislative Council for its concurrence.

SUPPLY.—THE LOAN ESTIMATES.

The Speaker left the chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of Supply for the consideration of the Loan Estimates.

Public works and other works to be provided for by loan, £1,087,012.

After a lengthy debate,

Mr. PERRY moved,—"That the Chairman leave the chair."

The CHAIRMAN said he would not accept the motion, as it was purely obstructive.

Mr. STEPHEN moved,—"That the item, 'Resumption of land for construction of public wharfs, further sum, £22,000,' be reduced by £2000."

Mr. MILLER said he wished to move that the Chairman leave the chair.

The CHAIRMAN: I decline to receive the motion, because I think it obstructive.

Mr. MILLER: Mr. Molesworth, are we going to be dictated to by you?

The CHAIRMAN: I decline to take the motion, and the hon. member must be seated.

Mr. MILLER: The hon. member won't be seated.

The CHAIRMAN: The hon. member must not defy the order of the Chair.

Mr. MILLER: I will not be browbeaten by any Chairman.

The CHAIRMAN: If the hon. member does not obey the Chair, extreme steps must be taken.

Mr. MILLER: Then why cannot extreme steps be taken with other members?

The amendment was negatived, the Chairman declaring that, as only five members supported it, the call for a division was vexatious.

Mr. MILLER moved that the item £9000, Railway Trial Surveys, be reduced by £4000.

The motion was negatived by a large majority, Messrs. Miller, Carroll, and Ellis voting in the minority.

Mr. MILLER moved that the item £50,000 for thinning out and otherwise improving forest reserves be reduced by £49,000.

The PREMIER said that he intended to put this item on the revenue side of the account. The process had already been tried on a small scale, and had been successful. If forestry were properly carried out, the result would be a large accession to our timber.

After some discussion,

Mr. SEE said there should be a judicious expenditure of loan moneys.

The PREMIER: I quite admit that the expenditure would hardly be a legitimate one to go against loan money. I would put it against the sinking fund.

Mr. SEE said it was the same thing under a different name. Nothing could be more monstrous than to propose to thin their forest reserves with the very timber they were alienating land to the extent of hundreds of thousands of pounds, and placing the money to the consolidated revenue. The Minister for Mines only seemed happy when he was engaging in some piece of experimental, costly, and silly legislation. If the only consideration Ministers had in doing their duty was to dispense favours to their constituents, the sooner they got rid of such a rubbishy Government the better. It was utterly ridiculous to thin out reserves in the manner it was proposed. It was only three or four years ago that a large sum was spent in clearing scrub land and giving work to the unemployed, and to-day it was thicker than ever.

Mr. STEVENSON, Mr. CHUCK, Mr. PRICE, Mr. A. CHAPMAN, Mr. O'SULLIVAN, Mr. MILLEN, and Mr. J. ABBOTT continued the debate.

The motion for the reduction of the item by £49,000 was negatived on division by 34 to 31 votes.

Mr. COPELAND moved that the item be reduced by £25,000.

Mr. WATSON said he objected to the proposed reduction. That expenditure would be reproductive. It would relieve a class of labour for which very little other provision was made in the Estimates.

The PREMIER said he would accept that amendment. £23,030 was the most they could afford in the next six months. It was an experimental supplementary service of the year 1894 and previous years, the sum of £437,340 13s 11d to be granted out of the Consolidated Revenue Fund of New South Wales."

The motion was agreed to.

The PREMIER moved,—"That, towards making good the

SHIPPING.

ARRIVALS.—DECEMBER 20.

Himalaya, R.M.S., 6898 tons, Captain A. W. Adamson, from London 9th November, via ports. Passengers—London to Sydney: Mr. L. T. Lloyd, Mrs. Lloyd 2 children infant and nurse, Mrs. O'Halloran, Misses Moore, Misses Macmillan, Mrs. Tonning, Miss Tonning, Mr. Tonning, Mrs. Violette, Miss Violette, Miss M'Whinnie, Mr. W. A. M'Evoy, Mr. R. Walker, Mr. and Mrs. J. Paine, Mrs. Crooke, Miss Crooke, Mr. and Mrs. Lock, Mr. and Mrs. Davies, Mrs. Hoskins nurse and 2 infants, Miss Mennie, Mr. A. Powell, Mr. Plowman, Mr. Francis, Mr. R. Broadhurst Hill, Mr. J. Campbell, Mrs. Pettitt child and infant, Mr. J. B. M. Linnard Monk, Mrs. Linnard Monk, Mr. Swinburne, Mrs. Morris Cohen, Mr. Y. Morris Cohen, Mr. C. E. Alderman, Mr. Hy. Dunsmore, Mr. and Mrs. Myers and infant, Mr. Hinkinson, Mr. Percy Barlow, Mr. Thomson Low, Mrs. Thomson Low, Miss Walker, Hon. W. and Mrs. Fitzgerald, Miss Robertson, Mr. Fitzgerald, jun., Mr. J. Fitzgerald, Mr. and Mrs. Drabbin and infant, Mr. M. Burney, Dr. Evans, Miss Evans, Mr. H. Coates, Mrs. Griffin, Mr. A. Chanter, Mrs. Kingsman, Misses Reed, Mr. A. D. Playfair, Mr. A. Reslaw, Mr. A. D. Ford, Mr. R. H. F. Phillips, Fleet Engr. C. W. Beal, R.N., Mr. Croall, Miss Croall, Mr. Ash, Mr. and Mrs. Stuart, Mr. H. Sharples, Mr. J. O'Brien, Brisbane to Sydney: Mr. and Mrs. G. Elliott, Mrs. and Miss Van Brakkel, Mr. and Mrs. Weill, Mr. H. Deane, Mr. H. L. Sinclair, Mr. W. Hoskins, Mr. Barraclough, Mr. Morcom, Dr. G. F. Smith, Mr. H. M. Cockshott, Mr. W. Forest, Mr. C. E. Terry, Mr. C. F. Smith, Columbia to Sydney: Mr. C. Heron, Mr. T. H. Smith, Mr. H. Houston. Mr. H. Hawkins, Mr. and Mrs. Lycett child and infant, Mr. and Mrs. Tranning child and 2 infants, Mr. and Mrs. Mr. Dunning, Mr. Jas. Lalor. King George's Sound to Sydney: Mr. Chisholm, Mr. B. Shierlaw, Mr. W. Shierlaw, Mr. H. Browne. Adelaide to Sydney: Mr. L. P. Diamond. Melbourne to Sydney: Mrs. Cropper, Miss Cropper, Dr. Violette, Miss Steele, Mr. Rees, Mr. A. Loyd, Miss Barraclough, Mr. Geo. Vincent, Mrs. Loyd nurse, Mr. Farquharson, Mrs. North, Mr. and infants (2), Mr. and Mrs. White infant and maid, Mr. Mercer, Mr. Brighton, Mr. and Mrs. Summers, Mr. A. C. Josselyns, Mr. T. S. Fried, Mr. Cowan, Mr. Hatch, Mr. Cellar, Mr. and Mrs. Hoad, Mr. Shubull, Miss Turnbull, Mrs. Loyd, Miss Heath. London to Gisborne: Mr. C. Hutchinson. London to Lyttelton: Miss Herring, Mr. and Mrs. H. Wace Bedford maid. Malta to Taranaki: Mrs. Turnbull, Misses Brown. Master Brown. London to Napier: Mr. F. Hutchinson. Miss Wallace. London to Auckland: Mr. A. Wallace, Mr. and Mrs. Green, Dr. Milligan, Mr. Milligan, Mr. Ross, Miss Ross, Mr. H. Tanner, Miss Tanner. Brindisi to Auckland: Misses Horne. G. Douglas Michie, agent.

Alhambra (s.), 537 tons, Captain G. Walker, from Eden, via ports, 19th December. Passengers—Mesdames Bailey, Walker, Heffernon, Crothers, Messrs. Campbell, Corry, St. Aubyn, Rowlinson, Smith, Bailey, Brett, Messrs. Pullon, Gilpin, Bates, Pillson, Gray, Smith, Copper, Bailey, Stevens, Miles, Clentork, Arnett, Master Bailey, and 6 in the steerage. Illawarra S. N. Company, Limited, agents.

Adelaide (s.), 1711 tons, Chas. Dingler, from Fremantle, via Albany, Adelaide, and Melbourne. Passengers—Mrs. E. Wood, Mr. and Mrs. Peter, Miss Dare, Mr. J. Fraser, Mr. F. W. Gibson, from Fremantle: Mrs. Schomberg, and infant and maid, Miss Winwood, Miss M. Winwood, Mrs. S. Wane, Mrs. Brandis, Miss Dale, Mrs. Waltham child and infant, Miss M'Bride, Miss Hooper, Mr. Campbell and child, Miss Wren, Miss Basedon, Mrs. and Miss Maxfield, Messrs. P. E. Brown, H. Hill, J. C. Jacob, H. D. Dale, A. Hall, F. Pace, A. Johns, from Adelaide: Mr. Meicker, John and Miss Wilson, Miss Cowderon, Miss A. Barwell, Mrs. Green and infant, Messrs. Shearing, E. Jones, Mons. Prove, G. Bruno, Regnaer, Baldsworth, Poolman, and 6 in the second cabin, and 90 in the second cabin. G. S. Yuille and Co., agents.

Corski (s.), 398 tons, Captain W. B. Nelson, from Manning River 19th December. Passengers—Mesdames Marshall, Weaver, Dixon, Misses Gibson, Labbin, Butterworth, O'Halloran, Fitzjames, Munro (2), Dixon, Messrs. E. Osbourne, W. J. Cruwer, J. Suters, W. F. Woods, T. Dixon, J. Carow, R. E. M'Coy, A. Weaver, A. T. Trotter, H. Dent, M. Sheridan, J. H. Sheridan, A. Hall, G. F. Cricklon, B. Roff, J. Cameron. Masters Bignall (2), also three in the second cabin. North Coast S. N. Company, Limited, agents.

Ninevah (s.), 3035 tons, Captain N. Allan (Aberdeen White Star line), from London 1st November. Passengers—For Dargaar Downs, Mrs. C. G. Adams and children, Miss Mann, Mr. and Mrs. Taylor and son, Dr. and Miss Currie, Mr. and Miss Unisill, Mr. J. Cameron and J. Cameron, jun., Miss Wade, Master George and Calendar Sindair. For Bourke, Mr. A. Flood, Mr. W. Sinclair, Mr. T. Fawcett, Mr. and Mrs. Herman Lindsay and infant, Mrs. J. Wessels, Mr. Dean, Mr. Andrew, Mr. Lisley, and 18 in the second-class. Dalgety and Co., Limited, agents.

Victoria (s.), 1250 tons, Captain D. Calder, from the Fiji Islands. Passengers—Mrs. Morgan and servant, 2 Sisters of Mercy, Messrs. J. M'Malville, J. M'Malville, Jun., Wilton, W. Bruce, S. J. Swaine, H. Hide, Devine, Burns, Philp, and Co., Limited, agents.

Namoi (s.), 1414 tons, Captain Skinner, from Newcastle. Newcastle and Hunter River S.S. Company, Limited, agents.

Illawarra (s.), 827 tons, Captain Garde, from South Coast ports. Illawarra S.N. Company, Limited, agents.

Coomonderry (s.), 147 tons, Captain Duck, from South Coast ports. Hudduck, Parker, and Co., Limited, agents.

Lubra (s.), 1244 tons, Captain Reale, from Newcastle. Newcastle and Hunter River S.S. Company, Limited, agents.

Electra (s.), 295 tons, Captain E. Farrell, from Richmond River 19th December. Passengers—Mrs. Corpe, Mrs. J. Stevens, Mrs. J. H. Edwards, Mrs. M. Pidcock, Miss M'Lennan. Miss Corpe, Rev. J. Stretton, Dr. Thompson, Messrs. Kibenston, T. C. Betts, J. Stevens, R. Woodlands, J. A. Graham, C. P. Delaney, R. Hudson, J. E. Campbell, F. Brady, G. R. Bradfield, G. Reeves, J. Stevens, F. Forp, A. Johnson, H. M'Anglan, and 14 in second cabin. North Coast S. N. Company, Limited, agents.

DEPARTURES.—DECEMBER 20.

Gabo (s.), for Melbourne.
Whampoa (s.), for Melbourne.
Oonah (s.), for Newcastle.
Ovalau (s.), for Fiji and Samoa.
Sophocles, ship, for London.
Amete, schooner, for Tahiti.
Annesley, ship, for Acapulco, via Newcastle.

PROJECTED DEPARTURES.—DECEMBER 21.

Wakatipu (s.), for Wellington, Lyttelton, and Dunedin: Oonah (s.), for Hobart; Bungamaite (s.), for Melbourne; Coomonderry (s.), for Berry, Nowra Bridge, and Shoalhaven River; Midget (s.), for Gosford; Leura (s.), for Melbourne; Electra (s.), for Richmond River; Newcastle (s.), for Newcastle: Illawarra S. N. Company's steamer for Wollongong, Kiama, Shoalhaven, Clyde River, Nelligen, Bateman's Bay, and Ulladulla. Lady Palmerston, for Antwerp; Tamar, for London; Ganymede, for Bluff, via Newcastle

CLEARANCES.—DECEMBER 20.

Gabo (s.), 2070 tons, Captain T. R. Richardson, for Melbourne, via ports and Western Australia. Passengers—Mesdames Poole, Stone, and daughter, Gowling, Samuson, O. E. Perry, W. S. Goard and 2 children, Killen, J. Price, Gordon, Misses Langley, A. Langley, Quodling, D. Heron, G. Heron, E. Rolfe, Pringle, G. Wilson, A. Campbell, Smith, Mack, Aikman, Woodhouse, Stephenson, J. Stephenson, Garrard, Woolf, Booth, R. Booth, Jane Aberdeen, A. Donaldson, M. Maddison, Buckley, A. Moore, J. Moore, Reese Finch, F. A. Killen, M. Killen, Dully, Mills, K. Killen, M. Montgomery, Montgomery, Victoria Scott, Campbell, J. Campbell, Messrs. David Lunsdon, James Scott, Campbell, Corry, St. Aubyn, Rowlinson, Smith, Bailey, Brett, Messrs. Pullon, Gilpin, Bates, Pillson, Gray, Smith, Copper, Bailey, Stevens, Miles, Clentork, Arnett, Master Bailey, and 6 in the steerage. Illawarra S. N. Company, Limited, agents.

Adelaide (s.), 1711 tons, Chas. Dingler, from Fremantle, via Albany, Adelaide, and Melbourne. Passengers—Mrs. E. Wood, Mr. and Mrs. Peter, Miss Dare, Mr. J. Fraser, Mr. F. W. Gibson, from Fremantle: Mrs. Schomberg, and infant and maid, Miss Winwood, Miss M. Winwood, Mrs. S. Wane, Mrs. Brandis, Miss Dale, Mrs. Waltham child and infant, Miss M'Bride, Miss Hooper, Mr. Campbell and child, Miss Wren, Miss Basedon, Mrs. and Miss Maxfield, Messrs. P. E. Brown, H. Hill, J. C. Jacob, H. D. Dale, A. Hall, F. Pace, A. Johns, from Adelaide: Mr. Meicker, John and Miss Wilson, Miss Cowderon, Miss A. Barwell, Mrs. Green and infant, Messrs. Shearing, E. Jones, Mons. Prove, G. Bruno, Regnaer, Baldsworth, Poolman, and 6 in the second cabin. G. S. Yuille and Co., agents.

Corski (s.), 398 tons, Captain W. B. Nelson, from Manning River 19th December. Passengers—Mesdames Marshall, Weaver, Dixon, Misses Gibson, Labbin, Butterworth, O'Halloran, Fitzjames, Munro (2), Dixon, Messrs. E. Osbourne, W. J. Cruwer, J. Suters, W. F. Woods, T. Dixon, J. Carow, R. E. M'Coy, A. Weaver, A. T. Trotter, H. Dent, M. Sheridan, J. H. Sheridan, A. Hall, G. F. Cricklon, B. Roff, J. Cameron. Masters Bignall (2), also three in the second cabin. North Coast S. N. Company, Limited, agents.

Ninevah (s.), 3035 tons, Captain N. Allan (Aberdeen White Star line), from London 1st November. Passengers—For Dargaar Downs, Mrs. C. G. Adams and children, Miss Mann, Mr. and Mrs. Taylor and son, Dr. and Miss Currie, Mr. and Miss Unisill, Mr. J. Cameron and J. Cameron, jun., Miss Wade, Master George and Calendar Sindair. For Bourke, Mr. A. Flood, Mr. W. Sinclair, Mr. T. Fawcett, Mr. and Mrs. Herman Lindsay and infant, Mrs. J. Wessels, Mr. Dean, Mr. Andrew, Mr. Lisley, and 18 in the second-class. Dalgety and Co., Limited, agents.

Victoria (s.), 1250 tons, Captain D. Calder, from the Fiji Islands. Passengers—Mrs. Morgan and servant, 2 Sisters of Mercy, Messrs. J. M'Malville, J. M'Malville, Jun., Wilton, W. Bruce, S. J. Swaine, H. Hide, Devine, Burns, Philp, and Co., Limited, agents.

Namoi (s.), 1414 tons, Captain Skinner, from Newcastle. Newcastle and Hunter River S.S. Company, Limited, agents.

Illawarra (s.), 827 tons, Captain Garde, from South Coast ports. Illawarra S.N. Company, Limited, agents.

Coomonderry (s.), 147 tons, Captain Duck, from South Coast ports. Hudduck, Parker, and Co., Limited, agents.

Lubra (s.), 1244 tons, Captain Reale, from Newcastle. Newcastle and Hunter River S.S. Company, Limited, agents.

Electra (s.), 295 tons, Captain E. Farrell, from Richmond River 19th December. Passengers—Mrs. Corpe, Mrs. J. Stevens, Mrs. J. H. Edwards, Mrs. M. Pidcock, Miss M'Lennan. Miss Corpe, Rev. J. Stretton, Dr. Thompson, Messrs. Kibenston, T. C. Betts, J. Stevens, R. Woodlands, J. A. Graham, C. P. Delaney, R. Hudson, J. E. Campbell, F. Brady, G. R. Bradfield, G. Reeves, J. Stevens, F. Forp, A. Johnson, H. M'Anglan, and 14 in second cabin. North Coast S. N. Company, Limited, agents.

DEPARTURES.—DECEMBER 20.

Gabo (s.), for Melbourne.
Whampoa (s.), for Melbourne.
Oonah (s.), for Newcastle.
Ovalau (s.), for Fiji and Samoa.
Sophocles, ship, for London.
Amete, schooner, for Tahiti.
Annesley, ship, for Acapulco, via Newcastle.

PROJECTED DEPARTURES.—DECEMBER 21.

Wakatipu (s.), for Wellington, Lyttelton, and Dunedin: Oonah (s.), for Hobart; Bungamaite (s.), for Melbourne; Coomonderry (s.), for Berry, Nowra Bridge, and Shoalhaven River; Midget (s.), for Gosford; Leura (s.), for Melbourne; Electra (s.), for Richmond River; Newcastle (s.), for Newcastle: Illawarra S. N. Company's steamer for Wollongong, Kiama, Shoalhaven, Clyde River, Nelligen, Bateman's Bay, and Ulladulla. Lady Palmerston, for Antwerp; Tamar, for London; Ganymede, for Bluff, via Newcastle

CLEARANCES.—DECEMBER 20.

Gabo (s.), 2070 tons, Captain T. R. Richardson, for Melbourne, via ports and Western Australia. Passengers—Mesdames Poole, Stone, and daughter, Gowling, Samuson, O. E. Perry, W. S. Goard and 2 children, Killen, J. Price, Gordon, Misses Langley, A. Langley, Quodling, D. Heron, G. Heron, E. Rolfe, Pringle, G. Wilson, A. Campbell, Smith, Mack, Aikman, Woodhouse, Stephenson, J. Stephenson, Garrard, Woolf, Booth, R. Booth, Jane Aberdeen, A. Donaldson, M. Maddison, Buckley, A. Moore, J. Moore, Reese Finch, F. A. Killen, M. Killen, Dully, Mills, K. Killen, M. Montgomery, Montgomery, Victoria Scott, Campbell, J. Campbell, Messrs. David Lunsdon, James Scott, Campbell, Corry, St. Aubyn, Rowlinson, Smith, Bailey, Brett, Messrs. Pullon, Gilpin, Bates, Pillson, Gray, Smith, Copper, Bailey, Stevens, Miles, Clentork, Arnett, Master Bailey, and 6 in the steerage. Illawarra S. N. Company, Limited, agents.

Adelaide (s.), 1711 tons, Chas. Dingler, from Fremantle, via Albany, Adelaide, and Melbourne. Passengers—Mrs. E. Wood, Mr. and Mrs. Peter, Miss Dare, Mr. J. Fraser, Mr. F. W. Gibson, from Fremantle: Mrs. Schomberg, and infant and maid, Miss Winwood, Miss M. Winwood, Mrs. S. Wane, Mrs. Brandis, Miss Dale, Mrs. Waltham child and infant, Miss M'Bride, Miss Hooper, Mr. Campbell and child, Miss Wren, Miss Basedon, Mrs. and Miss Maxfield, Messrs. P. E. Brown, H. Hill, J. C. Jacob, H. D. Dale, A. Hall, F. Pace, A. Johns, from Adelaide: Mr. Meicker, John and Miss Wilson, Miss Cowderon, Miss A. Barwell, Mrs. Green and infant, Messrs. Shearing, E. Jones, Mons. Prove, G. Bruno, Regnaer, Baldsworth, Poolman, and 6 in the second cabin. G. S. Yuille and Co., agents.

Tamar, ship, 1048 tons, Captain Smith, for London. Passengers—Mr. M'Busy and 2 children.

Lady Palmerston, barque, 1247 tons, Captain W. H. Fallow, for Antwerp.

Whampoa (s.), 1734 tons, Captain T. Harda, for Melbourne, with part original cargo.

Oonah (s.), 1797 tons, Captain Featherstone, for Newcastle.

Ganymede, barque, 886 tons, Captain Johns, for Bluff, via Newcastle, in ballast.

Ovalau (s.), 1229 tons, Captain N. Beaumont, for Apia, &c., via Suva, Fiji. Passengers—Hon. P. S. Solomon, Q.C., and Mrs. Solomon, Mr. and Mrs. Benjamin and family, Mr. and Mrs. George, Rev. J. Hunault, Huberty, Gyastachy, Mr. T. Favre, and 2 steerage.

COASTERS OUTWARD.—DECEMBER 20.

Monarch, schooner, Captain Simmonsen, for the Richmond River; Estelle, schooner, Captain H. J. Taylor, for Bateman's Bay; Jones Brothers, schooner, Captain T. Allen, for Newcastle.

IMPORTS.—DECEMBER 20.

[A special charge is made for consignees' notices under this heading.]

Oonah (s.), from Hobart: 485 half-cases 31 bags 60 cases fruit, 2668 bags silver ore, 14 cases red currants, 17 bags 11 cases gooseberries, 14 crates strawberries, 15 bags potatoes, 94 bales hops, 56 bundles empty pannins, 97 bundles willows, and sundries.

Corski (s.), from Manning River: 1193 bars maize, 13 bags horse, 2 bags wheat, 40 bags oysters, 11 bales millet, 1 calf, 102 cases eggs, 2 casks tallow, 72 coops poultry, 41 hides, 38 kegs butter, 75 pigs, and 39 packages sundries.

Ninevah (s.), from London: 570 casks milk, 100 cases spirits, 628 bundles tubes, 93 kegs 8 cases paint, 100 pairs and 280 wheels, 35 cases wine, 94 cases stoves, 149 cases 10 hogsheads beer, 92 packages drapery, 23 cases meters, 33 packages hatboxes, 238 cases galvanised iron, 20 cases myrobans, 10 cases hairpins, 10 cases cheese, 19 cases straw hats, 6 quarter-casks brandy, 20 quarter-casks whisky, 20 kegs alkali, 18 casks marine glue, 3 casks colours, 8423 packages merchandise, and sundries.

Himalaya, R.M.S., from London: 934 packages drapery, 822 packages boots, 114 cases horseshoe nails, 778 bundles of steel bright, 174 steel hoops, 1500 bundles wire, 789 tubes, 160 bars 142 bundles iron, 33 hogsheads ale, 625 boxes tinplates, 430 cases cottons, 90 cases galvanised iron, 250 packages nails, 55 packages metal sheeting, 765 bundles iron hoops, 28 cases tyres, 80 kegs white lead, 55 packages iron fittings, 11 packages rivets, 15 cases sheet iron, 22 cases cottons, 6 cases chemes, 15 cases cheese, 8 woodlands, 4 signs, 90 steel plates, 160 steel boiler tubes, 118 packages rivets, 34 cases drugs, 893 cases brandy, and sundries.

Allowrie (s.), from Eden and ports: 2735 cheese, 400 kegs butter, 545 bags bark, 225 bales wool, 36 bags bacon, 50 bags cattle food, 12 bags oysters, 15 bags sugar, 30 cases maizena, 20 hides, 26 coops poultry, 310 pigs, and a quantity of sundries.

Victoria (s.), from Fiji: 8867 bunches bananas, 200 cases sea cucumber, 4 cases shell, 218 bags cocoanuts, 64 bags pea-nuts, 1 cask yams, 1 case curios, 1 case lollies, 1 package belting, 3 bags bêche-de-mer, 2 half-bags ditto, 1 case pearlshell, 1 package.

Electra (s.), from Richmond River: 30 bags maize, 1000 sacks sugar, 15 bags oysters, 25 bags potatoes, 15 cases fruit, 8 calves, 21 cases eggs, 10 coops poultry, 11 hides, 108 kegs butter, 10,000ft. boxwood, 4000ft. cedar, 18 pigs, and quantity sundries.

Ex Australia, from New York: 52 reels paper—JOHN FAIRFAX AND SONS.

EXPORTS.—DECEMBER 20.

Tamar, ship, for London: 7256 bales wool, 1350 casks tallow, 41 bales leather, 2018 hides, 150 casks oleine, 3000 cases meats, 932 pieces timber, 6720 horns, 21½ tons pitha, 7½ tons bones, 4700 bars lead.

Lady Palmerston, barque, for Antwerp: 5518 bales wool, 689 casks tallow, 1645 hides, 12 tons bark, rails.

Ovalau (s.), for Samoa, Tonga, and Fiji: 1000 bags rice, 100 cases beer, 200 cases meats, 20 cases trunks, 30 casks cement, 300 sacks flour, 150 kegs paint, 100 packages drapery, 1200 cases kerosene, 110 tins biscuits, 30 reels wire, 14 pieces timber, 20 kegs nails, 50 cases groceries, 28 packages naval stores, 80 bags maize, 500 kegs meats, 10 sacks agra naval stores, 80 bags maize, 500 kegs meats, 10 sacks potatoes, 20 bars iron, 30 lengths pipe, 20 bales cornsacks, 2 camp ovens, 284 packages merchandise, and sundries.

TELEGRAPHIC SHIPPING NEWS.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENTS.)

BRISBANE.—Arrivals: December 20, Duke of Argyle, barque, from Sharpness; Carrabool (s.), from Sydney. Departures: Darwatta (s.), due from Cooktown. Departures: December 20, Rutesbire (s.), for Rockhampton; Victoria (s.), Franklin (s.), for Sydney. The Burwah (s.) passed Inskip, northbound. The Varnia (s.) arrived at Bundaberg. The Racehorse (s.) passed Burnett Heads, north. The Industry (s.) arrived at Townsville from Cairns. The Claira (s.) left Cairns, north. The Illawarra (s.), from Burketown, Ivanhoe, schooner, from New Guinea, arrived at Cooktown. H.M.S. Paluma passed Capricorn, south, yesterday. The Rob Roy (s.), left Rockhampton, south.

YAMBA.—Arrivals: December 20, steamer Kallatina and Yolande. Departures: Steamer Tomki, one of the A.U.S.N. steamers passed north.

NEWCASTLE.—Arrivals: December 20, Wendouree (s.), from Melbourne: Williams (s.), from Port Stephens; Newcastle (s.), Sydney (s.), Marion Fenwick (s.), Wendouree (s.), Balmain (s.), Yamba (s.), Nellie, schooner, Candidate and Balmain (s.), Yamba (s.), from Sydney. Departures: Progress, ketches, Oonah (s.), from Sydney. December 20, Tuna (s.), for Geelong, with 3840 tons coal; Bullarra (s.), for Port Pirie, with 1300 tons coal; Arctic steamship, for the Bluff (N.Z.), with 1466 tons coal; Anglo-Norman, barque, for Valparaiso, with 1150 tons coal; Castlebank, barque, for Valparaiso, with 1695 tons coal. Departures: December 20, Stuart, barque, for Valparaiso, with 1364 tons coal; Marion Fenwick (s.), for the Clarence River; Elingamite (s.), for Melbourne, via Sydney, with 2400 tons coal: Alice (s.), Tamar (s.), Western (s.), Sydney (s.), Newcastle (s.), Isabella, Advance, Crest of the Wave, Saronne, schooners, Minnora, brig, for Sydney; General Roberts, ship, for San Diego, with 2231 tons coal; Lindus (s.), for Adelaide, with 2300 tons coal; Wendouree (s.), for Adelaide, with 1380 tons coal.

GAME ISLAND.—Passed: December 20, steamers north, Era, at 10.15 a.m.; Peregrine, at 5.55 p.m.; west, Easby, at 11.45 a.m., Norkowna, at 12.35 p.m.

MELBOURNE.—Arrivals: December 20, Coogee (s.), from Launceston; Fitzroy (s.), from Adelaide; Aramac (s.), from Sydney; Hazel Branch (s.), from Sydney. Departures: December 20, Coogee (s.), for Launceston; Barrier (s.), for Sydney. The ships Grontes and Loch Torridon passed through Port Phillip Heads this morning for London.

PORT PIRIE.—Departure: December 19, Hippolas, barque, for South Africa.

ADELAIDE.—Arrivals: December 20, Gulf of Bothnia (s.), from Liverpool: Gourka (s.), from Newcastle. Departures: December 19, Tekapo (s.), for Western Australia; Buninyong (s.), for Melbourne. December 20, Gulf of Bothnia (s.), for Melbourne.

(FROM THE BOARD AT THE TELEGRAPH OFFICE.)

TWEED HEADS.—Arrivals: December 20, Wollumbin (s.) and Vale, schooner, in bay, Augusta, at 1.50 p.m. Wollumbin, at 2 p.m., Vale, at 2.50 p.m. Passed: December 20, Barrabool (s.) at 4.30 a.m., north.

BYRON BAY.—Arrivals: December 20, Augusta (s.) at 6 a.m. from Sydney; Garfield, schooner, Eliza Allen, schooner, at anchor in bay. Departure: December 20, Augusta (s.) at 8 a.m., for Tweed Heads.

RICHMOND RIVER HEADS.—Arrival: December 20, schooner Liffey off bar. Passed: Wodonga at 4.45 p.m., north; Guthrie at 5.40 p.m., a barque at 5.45 p.m., south.

CLARENCE HEADS.—Arrivals: December 20, Kallatina (s.) at 4 a.m., Yolande at 4.30 p.m. Departure: December 20, Tomki (s.) at 6.30 a.m. Passed: A.U.S.N. steamer at 3.45 p.m., north.

WOOLGOOLGA.—Passed: December 20, Tomki at 2 p.m., south.

MACLEAY HEADS.—Arrival: December 20, Burrawong (s.) at 12.25 p.m.

SMOKY CAPE.—Passed: December 20, South Australian (s.) at 9 p.m., south; Leura at 3.15 p.m., south; Tomki at 5 p.m., south.

PORT MACQUARIE.—Passed: December 20, Leura at 4.50 p.m., south; South Australian at 6.50 p.m., south. Arrival: December 20, Rosedale at 6.30 p.m., from Sydney.

CAPE HAWKE.—Departure: December 20, Annis, ketch, at 3 p.m.

SEAL ROCKS.—Passed: December 20, City of Grafton at 4.40 p.m., Oakland at 6 p.m., south.

PORT STEPHENS.—Departures: December 20, Joker, Laura, Dewdrop, Forest Queen, and Lansdowne, at 4.15 p.m. Passed: City of Grafton at 5.10 p.m., south; Antonges at 5.50 p.m., north; steam-launch at 6.45 p.m., north.

LAKE MACQUARIE HEADS.—Arrival: December 20, Progress, ketch, at 8.5 a.m., from Sydney.

BARRALLIER.—Arrivals: December 20, Emma Matilda, cutter, put back; Fanny Fisher put in at 5.25 p.m. Departures: December 20, Orphan Boy and Emma Matilda, cutters, at 3.30 p.m., for Sydney; Maggie Riley, ketch, at 4.10 p.m., for Sydney; Hawkesbury at 7.20 p.m., for Sydney.

WOLLONGONG.—Arrivals: December 20, Aldinga (s.) at 4.10 p.m., from Sydney; Boga (s.) at 3.30 p.m. Departures: December 20, Aldinga (s.) at 4.20 p.m., for Port Kembla; Illawarra at 5 p.m., for Sydney; Boga at 7 p.m., for Eden.

PORT KEMBLA.—Arrival: December 20, Aldinga at 4.20 p.m., from Wollongong.

EDEN.—Arrival: December 20, Illawarra (s.) at 12.40 p.m., from Shoalhaven. Departure: December 20, Illawarra (s.) at 1.30 p.m., for Sydney

TWOFOLD BAY.—Arrival: December 20, Gabo at 5.30 p.m., south; Warrigona at 6.20 p.m., north; Peterborough at 7.15 p.m., north; H.M.S. Ringarooma, in bay.

BATEMAN'S BAY.—Departure: December 20, Peterborough (s.) at 10.15 a.m., for Sydney.

MORUYA HEADS.—Arrival: December 20, Billie Barlow at 5 p.m., from Sydney.

BERMAGUI SOUTH.—Arrival: December19, Allcrie (s.) at 5.30 p.m., from Tathra. Departure: December 19, Allcrie (s.) at 11.30 p.m., for Sydney.

EDEN.—Arrival: December 20, Pukaki (s.) at 11 a.m., from Sydney. Departure: December 20, Pukaki (s.) at 11.30 a.m., for Launceston.

GREEN CAPE.—Passed: December 20, Peregrine at 7.35 p.m., north; Era at 12.40 p.m., north; Port Elliott at 12.45 p.m., north; Pukaki at 5.4 p.m., south.

GABO ISLAND.—Passed: December 20, Easby (s.) at 11.45 a.m., Norkowna (s.) at 12.35 p.m., Pukaki (s.) at 3 p.m., west.

WILSON'S PROMONTORY.—Passed inwards: December 20, Despatch (s.) at 2 p.m., Melbourne (s.) at 2 p.m., Glaucus (s.) at 2.30 p.m., Seawing at 3 p.m. Passed outward: December 20, Otago (s.) at 9.10 a.m., Maitland (s.) at 10 a.m.

HOBART.—Arrival: December 20, Rotomahana at 6 p.m.

LOW HEAD.—Departure: December 20, Paiocna at 6 p.m., for Melbourne.

ECHUCA.—Passed: December 20, one of the Union Company's steamers at 4 p.m., south.

(For continuation of Shipping see Page 6.)

METEOROLOGICAL REPORTS.

Average annual rainfall for 35 years, 50·93in.
Average for 55 years from 1st January to 30th November, 48·02in.
Total rainfall from 1st January, 1894, to 20th December, 36·78in.

Sydney standard barometer at 9 a.m. Thursday, 30·193. Maximum temperature 74°, minimum 60°.

STATE OF BAROMETER AT 9 A.M. THURSDAY.

Carnarvon, 29·93; Gascoigne, 30·14; Perth, 30·12; Esperance Bay, 30·17; Eucla, 30·02; Streaky Bay, 29·91; Adelaide, 29·90; Hale, 29·90; Portland, 29·96; Mount Wilson, Promontory, 30·11; Gabo Island, 30·12; Cape St. George, 30·16; Sydney, 30·23; Newcastle, 30·20; Port Macquarie, 30·18; Clarence Heads, 30·15; Brisbane, 30·06; Rockhampton, 29·98; Mackay, 29·94; Cooktown, 29·88.

SYNOPSIS AT 9 A.M. ON THURSDAY, BY MR. H. C. RUSSELL.

(Government Astronomer, Sydney.)

New South Wales.—Cloudy to showery in eastern parts; generally fine in western.

New Caledonia.—Dull at Gomen: fine but cloudy at Noumea.

Western Australia.—Fine and clear generally.

South Australia.—Generally dull and sultry, at places threatening or raining.

Victoria and Straits.—Fine and clear to fine but cloudy generally.

Tasmania.—Fine and clear to fine but cloudy generally.

Queensland.—Generally fine but cloudy.

Central and Northern Australia.—Fine and hot generally.

New Zealand.—Cloudy in N. and S. parts; fine in central.

RAIN HAS FALLEN IN THE PREVIOUS 24 HOURS TO 9 A.M. New South Wales.—Light to moderate on the coast. Boreal, 0·16; Candelo, Haven, 0·27; Casino, 0·07; Clarence, 0·85; Grafton, 0·03; Katoomba, 0·03; Lismore, 0·03; Manning Heads, 0·40; Nowra, 0·07; Mount Victoria, 0·03; Newcastle, 0·27; Picton, 0·24; Port Macquarie, 0·39; Sydney, 0·48; Tarce, 0·10; Wollongong, 0·05.

South Australia.—Light at isolated places.

Queensland.—Light and scattered on eastern slopes.

RIVER REPORTS AT 9 A.M. ON THURSDAY.

Albury, 4ft. 11in.; Balranald, 14ft. 3in.; Bourke, 8ft., falling; Euston, 27ft. 8in., falling; Hay, 9ft. 3in., falling; Euston, 27ft. 8in.; Forbes, 6ft. 6in., rising; Goodooga, low; Gundagai, 4ft. 6in.; Hay, 6ft. 6in.; Hillston, 6ft. 6in., falling; Lamb, 6ft. 8in., falling; Manilla, not received; Menindie, 17ft. 8in.; Morpeth, low; Mungundi, 4ft., falling; Pooncarie, 17ft. 7in.; Tilpa, 7ft. 6in., falling; Tommybil, 8ft.; Wagga Wagga, 6ft. 8in.; Wentworth, 22ft. 3in.; Wilcannia, 9ft. 8in., falling; Yetman, low; Barwon River, at Walgett, 8ft. 6in., stationary; Namoi River, at Walgett, 8ft., stationary; Goondiwindi, low.

3 P.M. OBSERVATIONS.

Armidale, E., fine, 67°; Pagoos, N.E., fine, 75°; Deniliquin, N.E., cloudy, 81°; Wilcannia, calm, fine, 64°; Dubbo, S.E., fine, 76°; Wentworth, N.E., cloudy, 64°; Sydney, N.E., fine, 71°; Bourke, S., fine, 90°; Goulburn, N.E., 2ult, 62°; Newcastle, E., fine, 72°. Showery at Ballina, Clarence River, Macleay, Nambucca, Sutton Forest, Woolgoolga.

COASTAL WEATHER REPORTS AT 8 P.M. ON THURSDAY.

Tweed Heads, S.E. strong, squally, sea moderate; Byron Bay, S.E., light, raining, sea smooth; Ballina, S.E., light, showery, sea moderate; Clarence Heads, S., cloudy, sea moderate; Woolgoolga, S.S.W., light, cloudy, sea smooth; Bellinger Heads, S.E., light, cloudy, sea smooth; Nambucca Heads, E.S.E., cloudy, sea smooth; Macleay Heads, S.E., cloudy, sea moderate; Port Macquarie, N.E., light, fine, sea smooth; Manning Heads, calm, fine, sea moderate; Seal Rocks, E., light, fine, sea smooth; Port Stephens, E., fresh, fine, sea moderate; Catherine Hill Bay, N.E., moderate, fine, sea moderate; Newcastle, E.N.E., fresh, fine, sea smooth; Harrarong, N.E., fresh, fine, sea moderate; Macquarie Heads, N.E., moderate, fine, sea moderate; South Head, E.N.E., light, fine, sea smooth; Wollongong, N.E., light, fine, sea smooth; Kiama, N.E., light, fine, sea smooth; Crookhaven Heads, N.E., fresh, fine, sea smooth; Jervis Bay, N.E., fresh, fine, sea smooth; Ulladulla, N.E., light, fine, sea smooth; Moruya, N.E., fresh fine, sea smooth; Eden, N.E., strong, fine, sea slight; Green Cape, E.N.E., fresh, fine, sea rough; Gabo Island, N.E., fresh gale, squally, fine, sea rough.

FORECASTS ISSUED AT 4 P.M. ON THURSDAY.

New South Wales.—Light variable winds, chiefly N. to E.; weather probably hot and sultry during Friday, Saturday, and Sunday, with some thunderstorms.—H. C. RUSSELL.

Victoria.—Moderately fine, but warm, cloudy, and sultry; northerly winds; sea moderate.—H. L. J. ELLERY.

South Australia.—Generally cooler and cloudy, with some light rain and southerly winds: thunder in the N.—C. TODD.

SPECIAL FORECASTS FOR AUSTRALASIA AND OCEANA, BY MR. CLEMENT L. WRAGGE.

Western Australia.—Thunder in the north, cloudy to showery elsewhere.

Northern Territory.—Electric disturbances in parts.

South Australia.—Cloudy, some thunderstorms and rain: matters improving shortly.

Queensland.—Thunderstorms developing in the interior, and will likely travel eastward; cloudy and squally with rain from S.E. to N.E. on seaboard, with patches of rough sea weather on coast inwarning.

New South Wales.—More rain, and squalls from between S.E. and E.N.E. along the seaboard. The conditions shortly improving: thunder-storms developing in the interior.

Victoria and Tasmania.—Cloudy under N. to N.W. winds, shifting towards S.W. afterwards, with rain.

New Zealand.—Cloudy, with some showers.

New Caledonia and New Hebrides.

were sent away to fossick for gold, and yesterday 23 were despatched, or a total of 65 for the week.

THROWN FROM A HORSE.—A lad, 14 years of age, named Daniel Allison, residing at No. 40 Kensington-street, was thrown from his horse whilst riding along Cutram-street, Surry Hills, yesterday afternoon. He was admitted to the Sydney Hospital suffering from a scalp wound and other injuries.

A CHINAMAN INJURED.—As a Chinaman named Charlie Ah Chow, 25 years of age, a gardener, residing at Rose Bay, was driving to the Belmore Markets at about 5 o'clock yesterday morning, his horse slipped on the tram line at the intersection of Elizabeth and Campbell streets, with the result that he was thrown on to the roadway. The wheel of the heavy dray passed over his chest. He was conveyed in a critical condition to the Sydney Hospital.

AN INFURIATED COW.—Yesterday afternoon a cow, which was being driven along Sussex-street, got beyond the control of the driver, and becoming alarmed at the confusion of the traffic in the street, rushed furiously along the road, and in turning into Margaret-street knocked down a man named Robert Burke, a labourer. Mr. W. Hollingworth picked the man up and conveyed him to the house of Mr. Spencer, dentist, at the top of the hill. The police were informed, and Burke was taken to the Sydney Hospital, where he was found to have sustained injuries to the hip, and was much bruised about the body.

CAPTURE OF A SHARK.—We are informed by Mr. G. Stevens that he captured a blue-nose shark off Bliss's Point yesterday. The monster measures 11ft. in length and 6ft. in girth.

As will be seen elsewhere, Messrs. Hordern Brothers, Pitt-street, will keep their establishment open to-morrow night till 10 o'clock.

THE s.s. Namoi will to-morrow leave the wharf, foot of Market-street, at 2 o'clock, proceeding as far as the Hawkesbury railway bridge, enabling excursionists to view the seven miles of magnificent river scenery.

MR. W. E. SMITH puts up in a convenient small size three kinds of Walkden's ink—blue-black, marlet, and copying. They all seem good writing fluids.

THE Government Printer has just issued in one large octavo volume the report of the Executive Commissioner to the Chicago Exposition.

WE have been requested to state that Mr. R. W. Cole, of Melbourne, has purchased the Sydney stock of Messrs. E. A. Petherick and Co., of George-street.

FROM the Government Printer we have received the Government Printing Office Calendar for 1895, which is a creditable example of the work of the office. On one side of the calendar appear Australian wild flowers in colour, and on the other a representation of the steam little building that served as the Government Printing Office in 1810. Messrs. W. M. Mackedy and Co. also forward their calendar for the coming year.

THE band of the New South Wales Artillery Regiment will, weather permitting, perform in the Centennial Park this afternoon.

IN PARLIAMENT.

The Legislative Council last evening, after consenting to sit to-day, passed the third reading of the Standard Time Bill, and then proceeded at once to the consideration of the second reading of the Appropriation Bill. During the discussion which ensued a number of items were selected for special criticism, and two matters which received a large amount of attention were the votes for the labour settlements, and the 10th clause of the bill, which authorised the Government to utilise the sum of £216,000, which had been written off last year, for the repair of roads and bridges. Having secured an assurance from the Attorney-General that the £330, being the amount by which the Council reduced the total sum granted in the Labour Settlements Bill, was not included in the estimates, that particular subject was dropped, but Mr. C. G. Heydon and Dr. MacLaurin strongly objected to the 15th clause of the bill as an attempt to use money which had really been saved and written off by the late Government. The Attorney-General having entered into a somewhat lengthy explanation of this and other debatable items, the second reading of the bill was carried without division. In committee, however, when the 15th clause of the measure was proposed, another decided attack was made upon it, and the ex-Attorney-General again spoke, and affirmed that the Government could not furnish any justification for taking what he considered a most improper course. After a rather warm passage or two between the Attorney-General and Mr. Dangar on the subject of the conduct of the Government in relation to certain votes in the bill, the House divided, and the clause was rejected by 13 to 10. The Vice-President of the Executive Council shortly afterwards moved the chairman out of the chair, and the House, which by this time was in a state of unusual ferment, adjourned.

The futility of morning sittings in our Legislative Assembly was practically demonstrated during Wednesday and Thursday. Though the House met at 10 o'clock on Wednesday morning and sat through the whole day, there was another all-night sitting to follow, and 10 o'clock next morning saw members, after attending for 24 hours, with their work still unfinished. When we went to press with our yesterday's issue the House was in Committee of Supply discussing the Additional Estimates, which, though they only covered a small sum of some £20,000, afforded abundant material for discussion. Many points were raised, but the only amendment made was the reduction of a vote £3750 for public parks. The committee, on learning that £500 of this sum was to be applied to the improvement of Kuringgai Chase, renewed its old hostility to this beautiful public reserve, and struck the sum off by 40 votes to 30. The Further Supplementary Estimates came next, and in the small hours of the morning the committee was asked to vote £39,456 under this head. There was less difficulty here, and about 3 o'clock, after agreeing to the amendments made by the Legislative Council in the Stock Protection Act, the House went into Committee of Ways and Means, and the Treasurer asked for the grant of a sum of £3,404,000.

This, of course, was the preliminary to the introduction of the Appropriation Bill, and the only solid opposition came from Sir George Dibbs, who sprung an entirely new constitutional theory upon a bewildered committee. His idea was that it was illegal for the Government to pass the Appropriation Bill, because the sum asked for was £280,000 in excess of the revenue for the year, as estimated by the Treasurer. We ought to make both ends meet a little closer, thought Sir George, and he endeavoured to show, quoting English precedent from many learned books, that the action proposed by the Government was unconstitutional. As a way out of the difficulty he appealed first to the retrenchment party to put its shoulder to the wheel and make a substantial reduction in the appropriation. However, this section of the Chamber turned a cold shoulder to Sir George, probably because the leader of the Opposition has always sided with the Government during the passage of the Estimates. Sir George's other suggestion, made later on in his speech, was that the Treasurer should issue Treasury bills to cover the amount of the estimated deficiency. The Premier had no difficulty in satisfying the committee that there was nothing in these arguments, and the result was that when Sir George called for a division he was left with only six supporters, the majority on the Government side numbering 55. There was no further trouble with the Appropriation Bill after this; it was soon passed, and the Treasurer asked the committee to deal with the last of the financial votes, the Loan Estimates.

But the committee by this time was in no particular humour to deal speedily with anything, and, unluckily, the Loan votes, which amounted to £1,987,012, covered a great variety of public works. Every part of the country had its pet grievance to air in this connection, Mr. Gormly and Mr. Ellis made speeches of exceptional length, and breakfast-time arrived before anything was done. The first amendment, proposed by Mr. Stephen, nearly caused a sensation, for the member wished to make a small alteration in the second item, £22,000, for the resumption of land for public works. Mr. Perry and other members considered this would put a stop to the general discussion on the whole estimate, and an attempt was made to move the Chairman out of the chair. Fortunately the Chairman was strong enough to promptly stop these obstructive tactics, Mr. Perry had unwillingly to subside, and after breakfast the committee negatived Mr. Stephen's amendment. Then the discussion on the general question started with renewed vigour; but though many points were raised, and several divisions called for, no substantial reductions were made. The forest reserves, in particular, for which there was a sum of £50,000 set down, required a great deal of consideration, and the proposal to spend this large amount, out of a Loan vote, on trimming our forests was unfavourably criticised by country members. Mr. Miller strove to wipe out the item altogether; but, though the subject was debated until noon, the committee, by 34 to 31, refused to sanction such a wholesale reduction.

By way of a compromise, Mr. Copeland proposed to reduce the vote by £25,000, and to this the Premier agreed, so that the matter was speedily settled. The next reduction suggested by the indefatigable Mr. Miller dealt with £95,000 for water conservation and irrigation, which the member, for no particular reason, desired to lessen by £20,000. After about an hour's talk the reduction was refused, and the committee then ran rapidly through the remainder of the Loan Estimates, finishing up its work shortly before 2 in the afternoon. A brief adjournment was necessary in order that the Loan Bill might be printed on vellum. This formality having been complied with, the measure was finally passed and sent on to the Legislative Council, and the House rose for an hour or so prior to commencing the sitting proper to the day.

When the House met again at half-past 4 in the afternoon a number of questions and various formal matters occupied the attention of hon. members till 5 o'clock, when Sir George Dibbs took the action of which he had already given notice by moving the adjournment of the House to point out the inaccuracy of a return laid on the table some time ago in regard to appointments to and dismissals from the Civil Service by the late Government on the plea of retrenchment. The leader of the Opposition spoke very warmly on the subject, and declared that every public act he had performed as Colonial Secretary had been performed with a single eye to the public interest and in the exercise of a solemn duty. And it had been the same with every other member of the late Ministry. Mr. Reid, when leader of the Opposition, had got through the House a most cunningly-worded motion, the result being that there had been laid on the table by the present Government a return which was utterly misleading, and calculated to do great injury to the members of the late Ministry. He challenged the Premier to substantiate the charges he had made in the return against his predecessors. If these charges were true, every member of the late Government should be placed in the dock at Darlinghurst. The summary attached to the return had been made as damaging as a lying statement could be made. He had to acknowledge the courtesy of Mr. Brunker in enabling him to obtain a proper return in regard to the Colonial Secretary's office. This showed that, instead of 492 appointments to the Colonial Secretary's department during the term of the late Ministry, there had been in reality only 79, and most of these appointments had been made to fill vacancies caused by retirements, dismissals, deaths, and voluntary resignations. He thought 79 appointments under such circumstances in 2½ years amongst some 9000 men was very moderate. As an instance, six successive cooks had been employed in and dismissed from one position under the Board of Health during the term of the late Ministry, and yet that had been reckoned in the return as six appointments. Mr. Reid made a brief reply, stating that he had had nothing whatever to do with the preparation of the return, and he had never seen the documents from start to finish. The other members of the late Ministry then rose one after the other, and quoted figures to prove how erroneous the return was in connection with the departments over which they had presided. Mr. See was followed by Mr. Copeland, and Mr. Lyne by Mr. Slattery and Mr. Kidd. Their explanations were similar to that of the late Premier. Mr. Brunker said the whole thing had arisen from some miscomputation or misunderstanding, and he could give hon. members his assurance that Mr. Reid had known nothing at all about the document. Mr. Reid said he had heard enough to show him that the return had been prepared in an inexcusable manner, and he would see that a proper, fair, and honest return was prepared and substituted for that misleading return. After a little more talk Sir George Dibbs withdrew his motion for the adjournment, and amidst applause the return was, on the motion of the Premier, withdrawn, and the order for it to be printed was rescinded.

This matter having been satisfactorily disposed of, the Premier moved his resolution for the adjournment of the House at its rising till the 12th February next. Mr. Copeland made an attempt to induce Mr. Reid to agree to a prorogation, but the Premier would not consent to the proposal, and the motion, after a few minutes' debate, passed on the voices.

The Centennial Park Reservoir Construction Bill was soon disposed of, and the Armidale Water Supply Works Act Amendment Bill was taken to the second reading stage, when the Premier, who had been absent from the Chamber, suddenly returned, and at a quarter past 9 moved the adjournment of the House. It soon became known that the reason for this course was the action of the Upper House in rejecting the 15th clause of the Appropriation Bill. Sir George Dibbs urged that the Government should be allowed to take its own course, and the Premier explained that he had moved the adjournment in order that he might consult his colleagues upon a situation which was fraught with very grave consequences to the House and to the people. Nothing more was said, and the House rose at half-past 9.

TO-DAY.

Municipal Election, Phillip Ward: Supporters of Mr. John Meeks meet at Mr. Fegan's QUEEN Hotel, Abercrombie-street, 8 o'clock.

Bathurst-street Baptist Church: Sale of Work, 3 to 10 p.m.

Primitive Methodist Schoolroom, Albion-street: Sale of Work, 3 p.m.

Moroney's Carrington Handicap: First Heat at 3 o'clock.

Pigeon Shooting: Outright Trophy, N.S.W. Grounds, Botany.

The Colonial Sugar-refining Company, Limited: General Meeting of Proprietors, Company's Offices, O'Connell-street, 2.30.

"Nana:" On exhibition daily, from 10 a.m. to 10 p.m., 55 Castlereagh-street.

The Bushrangers: Austral Gallery, Strand Arcade.

Theatre Royal: "Streets of London," 8 p.m.

Tivoli Theatre: New Tivoli Minstrels and Specialty Company, 8 p.m.

Crystal Maze, Strand Arcade: Open daily, 10 a.m to 10 p.m.

Kinetoscope: Open daily, 148 Pitt-street.

NEW ZEALAND.

[BY CABLE.]
(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

AUCKLAND, THURSDAY.

A trial shipment of New Zealand timber for street-paving purposes will be sent home by the s.s. Port Melbourne.

A native in a fit of jealousy murdered his wife at Tologa Bay. He afterwards committed suicide.

A fire broke out to-night in the auxiliary lunatic asylum at Avondale, near Auckland, a large wooden building near the main asylum, which is built of stone. There were about 100 patients in the auxiliary asylum at the time, but it is believed that all were got out safe. The details have not yet reached town.

THE FRANKSTON TRAGEDY.

ACQUITTAL OF THE ACCUSED.

[BY TELEGRAPH.]
(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

MELBOURNE, THURSDAY.

The trial of Mrs. Janet Chrosier and her three daughters, Margaret, Janet, and Jane, upon a charge of having, on the 7th November, at Skye, near Frankston, murdered the newly-born child of the prisoner Margaret Chrosier, was concluded before the Chief Justice at the Supreme Court to-day. The Chief Justice said that the only evidence against the prisoners was the confession of the girl Jane as to the way in which she killed the buried child. This was not evidence against her mother and two sisters, because it was not a statement made in their presence. He was inclined to think that even if the document were admitted it would not be sufficient to connect Margaret, the child's mother, with the murder. He therefore directed the jury to acquit all the prisoners except the youngest, Jane. The jury acquitted the three prisoners, and they were discharged. Proceeding with his charge to the jury, his Honor said that the only evidence against the remaining prisoner was her own confession. It was for them to decide for themselves, first, whether the confession was made freely and voluntarily; secondly, whether the statements therein made were entirely imaginative or the result of a hallucination, or whether they represented the truth. After a retirement of an hour and a half the jury returned a verdict of not guilty, and the prisoner was discharged.

SPECIAL CABLES.

FROM THE *HERALD'S* LONDON CORRESPONDENTS.

THE WAR IN THE EAST.

JAPANESE ADVANCE ON NEWCHWANG.

THE RECENT CAPTURE OF PORT ARTHUR.

OFFICERS ARRESTED FOR COWARDICE.

LONDON, DEC. 18.

Two Japanese armies are converging on Newchwang, to which the Chinese retreated after their defeat at Feng Huang Cheng. The Japanese will attack Newchwang in force, and in the event of its capture they will winter at Tientsin.

Early in the campaign between China and Japan the British and Russian Governments intimated to the Japanese that they would not be allowed to operate against Shanghai or in the Yang-tse-Kiang River, and the Japanese Government gave a pledge that they would not do so. It was recently feared that, elated with their success against the Chinese, the Japanese would break their pledges, and Vice-Admiral Fremantle, the British Commander-in-Chief on the Chinese station, was instructed to make a naval display off Chusan, and a large Russian fleet was ordered to Chefoo.

DEC. 19.

The Chinese commander at Port Arthur, recently captured by the Japanese, Admiral Ting, the commander of the Chinese fleet, and nine generals have been arrested for cowardice in connection with the capture of the port.

DEC. 20.

When the Japanese troops entered Port Arthur they discovered the heads of their slain comrades, with their noses and ears cut off, hanging from a rude arch in the main street. The Japanese became infuriated at the barbarous treatment of their comrades, and killed every man, woman and child they could discover. The details of the affair are horrible.

THE PUNJAUB FRONTIER.

ATTACK ON A BRITISH PARTY.

LONDON, DEC. 18.

At the end of October last an attack was made upon the Punjaub frontier delimitation party in the North Shin country by the Waziris, a hostile tribe. Two thousand Waziris crept up to the British camp during the night, and rushing the pickets they charged the Goorkas. A hand-to-hand encounter ensued. Lieutenant Macaulay and two native officers, besides 44 men, were killed. Five Europeans officers and 34 men were badly wounded. The Waziris were eventually repulsed, and were pursued by the cavalry to the hills.

Three British columns have now started for Waziristan to punish the Waziris for the attack on the British camp, and to disperse the hostile tribe.

THE FRENCH IN TONQUIN.

MURDER OF A CUSTOMS OFFICIAL.

LONDON, DEC. 18.

In August last M. Chaillet, the French Collector of Customs at Mon-Kai, near Hanoi, Tonquin, was murdered by Chinese, and his wife and child were kidnapped. A body of French soldiers was despatched in pursuit of the Chinese, but the latter eluded capture.

The French authorities protested to the Chinese Government against the outrage, and it is now announced that Madame Chaillet and her child have been released by their captors.

FRANCE AND MADAGASCAR.

LONDON, DEC. 19.

In the French Chamber of Deputies yesterday, M. Dupuy, the Premier, in reply to a question, said that the Government had received no news from Madagascar as to the reported submission of the Hovas to the French.

MISS FRANCES SAVILLE.

LONDON, DEC. 20.

Miss Frances Saville has made a successful appearance at the Opera Comique, Paris, as Virginie. She was much applauded for her performance.

MIDLAND RAILWAY COMPANY.

LONDON, DEC. 18.

At a meeting of the Midland Railway Company of Western Australia the holders of 6 per cent. debentures sanctioned a proposal to postpone the payment of interest till January, 1897, and for the creation of £250,000 worth of 5 per cent. debentures having priority over the 6 per cent. debentures. Half of this amount is to be raised immediately, to pay the demands of the Government of Western Australia.

WEST AUSTRALIAN LAND COMPANY.

SCHEME OF RECONSTRUCTION.

LONDON, DEC. 19.

Mr. Justice Vaughan Williams has sanctioned the scheme of reconstruction in connection with the West Australian Land Company, Limited. If the debenture holders withhold action they will receive further debentures to the extent of 10 per cent. on their present holdings. The company believes that it will be able to pay all its debenture-holders in four years.

The West Australian Land Company, Limited, was formed to take over and carry out a contract with the Government of Western Australia for the construction of the Great Southern Railway of Western Australia, the line from Albany to Beverley where it joins the Government Eastern line from Perth, a distance of 243 miles, and a pier at Albany of 1700ft., the Government granting a subsidy of 12,000 acres of land per mile of railway. The subsidy lands are now nearly all granted, the line having been completed in May, 1889.

FROSSARD'S CAVOUR CIGARS, mild, fragrant, epi. value; pockets, 8 for 1s.—[ADVT.]

SPECIAL CABLES.

FROM THE *HERALD'S* LONDON CORRESPONDENTS.

THE BANK SCANDAL IN ITALY.

CHARGE AGAINST THE EX-PREMIER.

LONDON, DEC. 19.

The Italian Senate has declined to take any notice of the documents produced in the Chamber of Deputies by Signor Giolitti, ex-Premier, and alleged to have been suppressed in connection with the Banca Romana scandal.

An investigation is being held at Rome before a magistrate as to whether there is any foundation for the charge of forgery preferred by Signor Crispi, the Premier, against Signor Giolitti.

FRENCH CHAMBER OF DEPUTIES.

THE NEW PRESIDENT.

LONDON, DEC. 18.

M. Henri Brisson has been elected President of the French Chamber of Deputies, in succession to the late M. Burdeau, who died on the 10th December.

The new President of the French Chamber has been a prominent figure in French politics for years past. After the revolution of 4th September, 1870, he was appointed Deputy Mayor of Paris by the Government for the National Defence. He was President of the Chamber of Deputies when the FERRY Ministry was overthrown on 30th March, 1885. On the assembling of the new Chamber on 10th November a scene arose on the Tonquin question with respect to alleged military mismanagement; and on the 14th M. Brisson's statement did not appear to have any effect in allaying the excitement. At the conclusion of the debate the Government had a majority of only four. M. de Freycinet was again requested to form a Cabinet, and the Brisson Government ceased to exist after a term of office extending over barely nine months. He was put in nomination for the Presidency on the resignation of M. Grévy, but received practically no support.

PRIVY COUNCIL APPEAL.

LONDON, DEC. 18.

In the appeal to the Privy Council in the case of the Zelma Gold-mining Company v. Hoskins, the decision of the Supreme Court of New South Wales has been reversed.

This was a case arising out of the supply to the Zelma Company by Hoskins of a quantity of waterpipes. The company, alleging that the pipes, or a portion of them, were not of the quality stipulated by the contract, commenced an action to recover damages; but the Court made an order referring the matter to arbitration, and Mr. H. S. Forsyth was appointed arbitrator. He awarded compensation to the company, and Hoskins thereupon applied to have the award set aside on the ground that the arbitrator, before entering into consideration of the matters referred to him, did not subscribe to the declaration required by the 113th section of the Companies Act. The question was whether such a declaration was necessary in the case of an arbitration held pursuant to an order of the Court, as in the present case. The Court decided in Hoskins's favour and set aside the award, and the plaintiff company appealed to the Privy Council.

FIRE AT WINCHESTER BARRACKS.

LONDON, DEC. 19.

A fire broke out at the military barracks at Winchester, in Hampshire, to-day. The barracks were destroyed.

THE FROZEN MEAT TRADE.

LONDON, DEC. 19.

The London Dock Company has decided to adopt the thawing process in its frozen meat stores.

MARKING OF IMPORTED MEAT.

LONDON, DEC. 19.

The Government will introduce in the House of Commons in February a bill providing for the marking of imported meat to denote the port of shipment. It is understood that the Conservatives will not oppose the measure.

THE LIVE CATTLE TRADE.

LONDON, DEC. 19.

A leading meat salesman in Vienna advises the shipment of live cattle in large quantities to Trieste. He estimates that a good profit would result.

GOLD-MINING IN WESTERN AUSTRALIA.

LONDON, DEC. 19.

The prospectus of the Associated Gold Mines Company, Western Australia, with a capital of £375,000, has been issued. The working capital is fixed at £50,000.

PUGILISM IN ENGLAND.

THE FATAL FIGHT.

LONDON, DEC. 18.

At the Bow-street Police Court to-day "Dummy" Winters, the Sydney pugilist, appeared on remand, charged with having caused the death of a pugilist named George Smith, who died from the effects of a blow dealt by Winters during a fight. Five reporters connected with sporting newspapers, who had been arrested on a charge of being accessory to the manslaughter of Smith, were also brought before the Bench.

All six defendants were committed for trial on a charge of manslaughter.

TASMANIAN RIFLE ASSOCIATION.

INTERCOLONIAL RIFLE MEETING.

[BY TELEGRAPH.]
(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

LAUNCESTON, THURSDAY.

The Intercolonial Rifle Match was continued at Hobart to-day. The following are the results of the shooting:—

Mounted Mayor.—Bradley (Queensland), 47; Gunnett (Victoria), 43; Patterson (Sydney), 41; Private Gargett (Queensland), 41; Brown (Tasmania), 40; Marryside (Queensland), 40; Hamley (Queensland), 40; Gargett (Queensland), 40; Stephens (Sydney), 40; Latta (Sydney), 40; Walker (Queensland), 39; Lee (Victoria), 39; Stanhope (Sydney), 39; Woodyatt (Queensland), 39; M'Donald (Queensland), 38; Gibb, 38; Umphelby (Victoria), 38; Marcon (Adelaide), 38; Lieutenant Cork (Sydney), 38; Coe (Adelaide), 38; Burt (Sydney), 37; Hywell (Adelaide), 37; Hamilton (Queensland), 37; Yen (Sydney), 37; Vardy (Tasmania), 37; Walker (Victoria), 37; Gatty (Tasmania), 37; Lieutenant Keating (Sydney), 36; Bales, 36; Farquer, 36; Halliday (Adelaide), 36; Roberts (Tasmania), 35; Coggin (Sydney), 35. The following were counted out:—Pratt (Sydney), 36; Byron (Queensland), 35. Continuous Match: Brooks (Sydney), 28; Carne (Sydney), 25; Arnold (Adelaide), 22; Beaman (Adelaide), 21; Brooks (Sydney), 25.

A revision of the total is the Championship match throws out Byron, of Queensland, from the Champion aggregate.

POLITICS IN CANADA.

THE BOWELL ADMINISTRATION.

LONDON, DEC. 20.

Mr. J. Mackenzie Bowell, Minister of Trade and Customs in Canada, who was summoned by the Earl of Aberdeen, the Governor-General, on the death of the late Premier, Sir John Thompson, to form a new Ministry, has completed his task.

The personnel of the new Government is much the same as in the previous Administration, there being few changes.

THE FINANCIAL CRISIS IN NEWFOUNDLAND.

LONDON, DEC. 18.

Further particulars of the financial crisis in Newfoundland show that there have been heavy overdrafts in connection with the Commercial Bank of Newfoundland, the suspension of which led to the recent financial panic in that colony.

THE TEST CRICKET MATCH.

LONDON, DEC. 19.

The *Daily Chronicle*, in commenting on yesterday's play in the test cricket match at Sydney, between England and Australia, says that Stoddart's team has redeemed its honour. Considering the inferior wicket, it adds, the play of the English team equalled that of the Australians.

VICTORIA.

[BY TELEGRAPH.]
(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

MINISTER FOR DEFENCE.

MELBOURNE, THURSDAY.

The resignation of Sir Frederick Sargood as Minister for Defence was accepted to-day by the Governor in Council. The Premier was appointed to the position in Sir F. Sargood's place. The appointment of Mr. Turner is only intended to be temporary, the understanding being that Mr. William M'Culloch, M.L.C., shall be sworn in as Minister for Defence when Parliament is prorogued next month.

THE EXPORT TRADE IN TIMBER.

MELBOURNE, THURSDAY.

A deputation of the Sawmillers' Association waited upon the Minister for Lands to-day. After calling attention to the good prospects of a large export trade in timber to Great Britain, it was pointed out that large areas of timber were being alienated under section 32 of the Land Act, and that the selectors in many cases were destroying the timber, and that in a little while it would be worth £10 per acre. The deputation asked the Government to assist the timber industry by reducing the railway freights on timber. Mr. Best replied that he would be pleased to assist the industry in any practical way in increasing the export trade, but at the same time he could not retard settlement on the lands of the colony. He would submit the matter to the Cabinet, and would during the recess go thoroughly into the matter with the Conservator of Forests.

INDICTMENT FOR CRIMINAL LIBEL.

MELBOURNE, THURSDAY.

The Chief Justice to-day ordered a "bench warrant" to issue for the arrest of Joseph Symes, in order that he might plead as to the indictment preferred against him for criminal libel, upon the application of Edwin Ripper. It was stated in support of the application that Symes had failed to obey the summons which was left at his address.

RETRENCHMENT IN THE PUBLIC SERVICE.

MELBOURNE, THURSDAY.

An Order in Council was passed to-day retaining the services of Mr. Ellery (Government Astronomer), Baron von Mueller (Government Botanist), and Mr. Hayter (Government Statist) till the end of March. These gentlemen are each over 65 years of age, and are liable to compulsory retirement from the service, hence the necessity for this order to retain them in the employment of the Government. Hitherto the orders have been for 12 months, but the Ministry considers it advisable to pass one for three months only on this occasion to enable an inquiry to be held by the retrenchment committee of the Cabinet in the meantime as to the necessity for the services of these gentlemen being retained after next March.

A SERIOUS CHARGE.

MELBOURNE, THURSDAY.

In the Supreme Court to-day, before Mr. Justice A'Beckett, the trial was concluded of Henry Wilks, charged with having at Mornington, on the 11th November, attempted to murder his wife and sister-in-law. The prisoner was found guilty of wounding his wife with intent to do grievous bodily harm, and pleaded guilty to a charge of unlawfully wounding his sister-in-law. He was remanded for sentence.

FATAL ACCIDENT.

MELBOURNE, THURSDAY.

A fatal accident happened at the Spencer-street railway goods yard to-day to a shunter named John Travers. He was engaged in coupling trucks when he got caught between the buffers and was severely jammed. He died from the effects of his injuries. The deceased was 33 years of age, and leaves a widow and three children.

MELBOURNE, THURSDAY.

James Brennan, who was injured in a lift accident last week, died to-day. William Davidson, aged 44, in the employ of the Foster Brewery Company, was thrown from a lorry and so badly hurt that his recovery is doubtful.

A deputation representing the Chamber of Commerce waited to-day upon the Minister for Customs to urge that proceedings be taken against Abrahams and Co., gunmakers, who were alleged in a recent civil suit to have sold guns bearing the name "J. Hollis," which were not manufactured by that English firm. Mr. Best commended the motives of the deputation, and promised that the case should be fully investigated.

The Barrier sailed to-day for Sydney, via Geelong, with 120 packages tea and 1765 bags wheat.

QUEENSLAND.

[BY TELEGRAPH.]
(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

BRISBANE, THURSDAY.

The alleged kidnapping cases were called on again to-day, but were further adjourned till to-morrow, bail being allowed as heretofore.

The total quantity of sugar exported from the various ports of Queensland from the 1st to the 15th December amounted to 4557 tons, making a total of 53,522 tons since 16th June, 1894.

Monday next has been gazetted as a public holiday in Brisbane, so that the Christmas holidays will cover the first three days of next week.

Henry Savage and Thomas Henry were committed for trial to-day on a charge of stealing £120 worth of property from Dr. Wray.

Warden Mowbray telegraphs to the Under-Secretary for Mines to-day that Robert Hargreaves, captain of the night shift, was killed, and a man named Porter was severely injured, in the Brilliant Extended mine, Charters Towers, last night. Hargreaves was charging a blown-out hole with gelatine, when an explosion took place.

COUNTRY NEWS.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENTS.)

BURIALS IN NEWCASTLE.

NEWCASTLE, THURSDAY.

A special meeting of the Newcastle Borough Council was held this morning for consideration of the Mayor's minute respecting the recent burial in Christ Church Cemetery. The Mayor presided. The minute showed that on Sunday, 17th instant, a breach of the bylaws had been committed at the cemetery when the body of the late Mr. W. W. Rowe was buried there, at the instance of Mr. T. A. Clack, on behalf of the relatives of the deceased. The Very Rev. Dean Selwyn officiated. Mr. James Hay was the undertaker. Alderman Lock moved,—"That the Mayor's minute be received, and that the subject matter of the same be referred to the inspector of nuisances, with instructions to do his duty." The motion was carried upon the understanding that Messrs. T. A. Clack and James Hay, the undertaker, should be the only persons prosecuted, the bylaw giving power to take proceedings against all parties taking part in the burial proceedings. The case is exciting considerable interest in the city.

THE WAGGA HOSPITAL.

WAGGA, THURSDAY.

Strained relations having existed for some time between Drs. Long and Thane, the paid medical officers of the Wagga Hospital, a special meeting of the committee was held last week to consider the matter. A sub-committee was appointed to investigate the affair, and both doctors made a statement. The report was considered at a special meeting to-day. The sub-committee found that Dr. Thane had been unintentionally indiscreet in talking outside about the case of a patient treated in the hospital. They held that Dr. Long was justified in refusing to meet Dr. Thane in consultation. The report was adopted by nine to five, an amendment that it is not warranted by the evidence being negatived. A resolution was subsequently submitted calling upon both gentlemen to resign after a month's notice. An amendment, that the doctors be written to informing them that their engagements would terminate at the end of a month with the view of allowing the subscribers to decide the question, was carried by seven to six.

THE LISMORE SHOOTING CASE.

LISMORE, THURSDAY.

The doctors to-day traced the bullet in the body of Mr. Wilks, who was shot yesterday at the Rous sugar mill by the manager, Bolewski. It was not thought desirable to extract it until to-morrow. The bullet is lodged at the back of the tonsils against the vertebræ.

COOLAH, THURSDAY.

Two inches of rain have fallen this month.

DENILIQUIN, THURSDAY.

During the week the various schools here have broken up for the holidays. At the Public school, the Mayor, Mr. E. J. Laman, gave an address and presented the prizes to the successful scholars.

The weather is getting very warm again. The late rains have done the crops in this district harm, as many were not stripped. Considerable delay has been caused in the work.

KIAMA, THURSDAY.

At a meeting of the Kiama Borough Council to-day Alderman Wells moved,—"That owing to the unsatisfactory and uncertain state of the law dealing with the recovery of lighting rates, the Municipal Association of New South Wales be requested to either prepare a bill to amend the present Act of Parliament dealing with lighting rates, or else to see that proper provision is made in the Local Government Bill to enable municipalities where gas lighting exists to recover lighting rate from all rateable properties situated within such municipalities, irrespective of the distance of such properties from any gas lamp or light."

The motion was seconded by Alderman Wood and carried unanimously.

LISMORE, THURSDAY.

The river fell several feet last night, and is now below the wharf.

The Municipal Council to-night is considering the question as to whether it is desirable to have any alteration in the boundaries of the municipality in the event of the new Local Government Bill being passed.

The result of the test cricket match in Sydney caused great surprise.

LIVERPOOL, THURSDAY.

The Department of Mines and Agriculture has acceded to the request of the late president of the Vinegrowers' and Fruitgrowers' Association of N.S.W. to have lectures delivered on the phylloxera question at the prominent centres in the Cumberland vine district. The first of a series of lectures will be delivered by Mr. J. Despeissis, at Canley Vale on the 3rd of next month.

MORUYA, THURSDAY.

Mr. E. W. Evans, late manager of the Bank of New South Wales at Taralga, has succeeded Mr. Chester, who has been at Moruya for 7½ years. Mr. Chester was presented with an address by the townspeople, and also with a testimonial on the eve of his departure.

NEWCASTLE, THURSDAY.

The local Marine Board met this morning to give their decision upon the inquiry into the cause of the collision between the s.s. Crown of Arragon and the Queen's Wharf. They found that the collision was caused by default of the pilot in charge in not using more caution and judgment, and for which fault they severely censure him.

This afternoon Railway-guard A. J. Smith, while carrying on shunting operations at Carrington Dyke, was run over by an engine. One leg had to be amputated, and he is in a critical condition.

TUMUT, THURSDAY.

Mr. M. Tuohy, coroner, held an inquiry to-day touching the death of John Jenkins, 33 years of age, a shearer, from Parkes, who was drowned in the Tumut River last Saturday. The deceased, with his mate, was prospecting for gold in the neighbourhood of Talbingo, and, in trying to cross the river, his horse slipped on the rocks, and the deceased sank in deep water ere his mate could render help. The body was found yesterday by Mr. Augustus Lampe, of Talbingo Station.

The weather is delightfully cool since the late rains. The crops are looking healthy.

THE FATAL HARBOUR COLLISION.

There is nothing fresh to record in connection with the fatal collision that took place off Chowder last Tuesday. All the passengers who were suffering from immersion, and who had been taken to houses at Chowder, were able to leave for their homes the following day.

In reference to the information given to our representative by Mr. Horace Waters to the effect that on the woman he rescued was a belt, on the buckle of which was engraved "A. Macdonnell, The Manse, Renwick-street (I think), Leichhardt," we are informed that Miss Macdonnell was fellow-servant of Eliza Egan at Mr. Buckland's, and that the belt was worn on the day of the accident by Miss Egan.

THE INQUEST.

The City Coroner (Mr. J. C. Woore) commenced yesterday morning an inquest on the bodies of Elizabeth Egan and Mildred Leila Freer Ward, at the Coroner's Court, Chancery-square.

The jury and witnesses proceeded to view the bodies, one of which was lying at the Morgue, and the other at the Commercial Bank, Paddington.

Mr. Wilshire appeared for the Crown, Mr. Williams for the captain and owner of the Princess, Mr. Wallace (Messrs. Wallace and Robson) for the owners of the Awhina, and Mr. Lavien for the master of the Awhina.

Michael Egan, a railway employee, residing at No. 77 Stanley-street, deposed that the deceased, Elizabeth Egan, was his daughter. She was 19 years of age, and resided with Mr. Buckland, in Woollahra, where she was employed as housemaid.

Edward Freer Ward, an accountant in the branch of the Commercial Bank, Oxford-street, Paddington, deposed that the deceased, Mildred Leila Freer Ward, was his daughter. Deceased was 4 years and 10 months old.

Dr. Richard Arthur, of Mosman's Bay, deposed that he had attended to both of the deceased. The cause of death was partial asphyxia and heart failure, together with shock to the system.

Dr. Reanis, Government Pathologist, deposed that he had made an external examination of the bodies of Elizabeth Egan and of Mildred Leila Freer Ward. The body of each did not present the ordinary appearance of a person who had died from drowning, but, independently of what he had heard, he could not form a definite opinion of the cause of death. After hearing Dr. Arthur's evidence he should say that the cause of death in each case was shock to the system and exhaustion consequent upon immersion.

At this stage the inquest was adjourned till Thursday, the 27th instant.

A CONSTITUTIONAL CRISIS.

TROUBLE BETWEEN THE TWO HOUSES.

THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL AMENDS THE APPROPRIATION BILL.

ACTION OF THE GOVERNMENT.

What may turn out to be a grave constitutional crisis arose in Parliament last night. At a quarter past 9 o'clock news came through to the Lower House that the Legislative Council had rejected clause 15 of the Appropriation Bill. This clause reads as follows:—"Notwithstanding anything in the Appropriation Act of 1893 to the contrary, the balance unexpended of the vote for that year on account of endowment to boroughs, municipal districts, and shires shall be available for expenditure on the roads and bridges of the colony until the 31st day of December, 1895." The Assembly was then engaged on the Armidale Water Supply Works Amendment Bill. It appears that the Premier was in the Legislative Council when the division on the motion for the rejection of the clause took place. Upon returning to the Assembly he at once, without assigning any reason, moved the adjournment of the House. Members were at first taken by surprise; but the news of the action of the Council speedily spread in the Chamber, and Sir George Dibbs urged members to allow the Government to take their own course in a matter of this kind. The House broke up shortly afterwards, and members hung about the lobbies in excited groups discussing the situation, which was recognised as being a very grave one. No definite views, however, were expressed, as the action of the Council had taken members completely by surprise, and the course likely to be adopted by the Government was not known.

ME

THE INTERNATIONAL CRICKET MATCH.

AN UNEXPECTED DEFEAT FOR AUSTRALIA.

THE ENGLISHMEN WIN BY 10 RUNS.

The long drawn out match between Australia and England was concluded at the Sydney Cricket Ground yesterday, and the Englishmen won by 10 runs. There were 1700 people present, and the takings amounted to £25. On Wednesday evening the Australians left off with 113 runs up out of a total of 177 required to win, and as they had lost only two wickets they were set the light task of scoring 64 runs more with eight wickets to fall, and it looked as if the match was as good as won. It was noticed then, however, that a dark bank of clouds was gathering up, and it was generally remarked that rain would fall at night. True prophecy, and a new aspect put on the game. It rained hard through the night, and yesterday morning the sun shone out bright and hot, making the wicket sticky and very difficult, the more so as it had been laid with stiff black soil. Allowing for every drawback, it is still safe to say that not one person in 500 anticipated the disaster that has been as heavy and a half's play was to bring Australia.

The two South Australians, Giffen and Darling, took up their places at the wickets again at 8 minutes past midday, Giffen having 30 to his credit, and Darling 41. Peel and Richardson were entrusted with the bowling, and the fielders were all brought close in—a certain sign that the Englishmen expected assistance from the wicket. A nice length ball from Peel beat Giffen when he played forward, but it was just off the wicket. Gay whipping the balls off, but only to see Giffen with one foot well within his crease. The wicket was worse as it began to firma little, and the bowlers were naturally able to do more with the ball. Richardson was making it get up a good deal, while Peel was bowling a beautiful length. Giffen back-cut Richardson high up for a couple, and the hearts of the Australian supporters were in their mouths as they saw Ward dash in for a catch from long slip, but he could not get up in time. Darling made a grand hit for 5 off Peel out of the ground at the on side, bringing up 123, and Giffen just snicked Richardson for a couple to cover point, but half the fielders raised their hands, so close did the ball go to his leg stump. Between every over the batsmen came out to pat down the pitch, and as the first supply of sawdust had run out, another was thoughtfully brought to each end. The men and bowlers using it liberally to get a foothold. In the next over Darling, who had been playing the bowling with confidence, skied Peel out to long-on, and Brockwell running straight in got under the ball, steadied himself, and took the catch. Darling had made 53 runs out of a total of 130 by very hard hitting and sound cricket, although his style is not very graceful. Gregory and Giffen seemed a very strong partnership, but it was not destined to last Giffen tried to slog Peel to leg but missed him, and there was an awful look of dismay on his face when it was not allowed. Then he played forward to Peel and the break carried the ball over to point, where Brown had an easy catch, but in turning to the right to get hold of it the fielder seemed to lose his balance and the catch too.

As Richardson could not effect a separation Briggs was put on in his place, there being thus two left-handers bowling. The change was a significant one, for it looked as if the Englishmen thought they could do better with slow break bowling than with fast stuff, even on a bowler's wicket. The change certainly came off, as Giffen was out leg before wicket to Briggs's first ball, his score standing at 41, out of a total of 155, there being then two wickets down. When Iredale joined Gregory 42 runs were wanted, and they began to play the right game, going out to smother the break of the slow bowling. They had carried the score to 147, when Iredale skied Briggs straight back, and the bowler made no mistake about the catch. Just 31 runs were wanted, and five wickets were still left, and even then people did not realise the danger. Reedman and Gregory carried the score to 158, when Gregory, who had made the only 4 of the day, tried to slip Peel, and was taken at the wicket, having made 16. Three runs were then all that was needed for 158 runs, and although only 19 more were wanted people began to get uncomfortable. The batsmen were going out rather too fast. With Gregory's departure came the downfall. Reedman was stumped for a single at 159 in a rather curious manner. Jones went out to Peel, missed him, and Gay, the wicketkeeper, failed to take the ball, but it struck him on the breast and rebounded on to the wicket before Reedman could get home again. Turner was caught at cover-point by Briggs at 161, and Jones followed the bowler at 162, leaving Blackham with his badly injured hand and M'Leod for a last chance with 15 runs wanted. They did not last long, as Blackham played a ball back into Peel's hands, and the innings closed for 168 at 22 minutes past 1 o'clock, thus leaving the Englishmen 10 runs to win. Peel bowled in splendid form, taking six wickets for 67 runs, while Briggs's average was three for 25 and Richardson's one for 27.

The Englishmen on returning to the pavilion were warmly congratulated on their victory, and judging by the cheering the result was unexpected. Going into town the winners had a strong contingent of supporters. At luncheon, Mr. Sheridan proposed the health of the English team, coupled with the name of their captain, Mr. Stoddart. In doing so, Mr. Sheridan said that there was no one in the room who was not sportsman enough to congratulate them on their victory. He thought it was not in the recollection of anyone present that a team after scoring 58 had been beaten by a side which had to follow on. It showed what remarkable changes took place in the game. The health was drunk with enthusiasm. Mr. Stoddart, in response, congratulated the Australians on the manner in which they had taken their defeat. It was a most extraordinary one. Although the wicket on Wednesday after should have been a very easy one for their performances. He said before he left England that he had a team of triers, and his words had been verified. They had to play an unhill game, and everyone would give them credit for having struggled very hard. They were delighted at winning the match, still he knew the Australians had been robbed of the victory by the weather. Mr. Stoddart then proposed the healths of the Australians, coupled with the name of the captain, Mr. Blackham. The toast was drunk very warmly, and cheers were given for Messrs. Giffen and Gregory. Mr. Blackham responded, and congratulated Mr. Stoddart on his victory. The Englishmen no doubt played well, and he felt sure that the Australians did also. He hoped they would have just as pleasant a match in Melbourne.

Looking at the state of the wicket yesterday it requires no analysis to discover how the match was lost and won, but some of the principal events and points of the game are worth looking back over. The running of the Australians in the three jubilant, and still three wickets fell for 21 runs. It was inexplicable, but as a counterbalance the score was then carried on to 331 for five wickets, and the innings, which ran well into the second day, did not finish until 20 minutes to 1 o'clock,

MONETARY AND COMMERCIAL.

THURSDAY EVENING.

The state of business in the Stock and Share market remains about as dull as it well can be, there being very little demand for any class of security on the list. Bank of New South Wales, however, were again dealt in at yesterday's prices. The sale of an Australian Joint Stock Bank deposit at the previous quotation was the only other transaction under the head of banks, the prices of which were generally steady. In steam an offer of an advance of 6d for North Shore Ferry did not lead to business. Mercantile Mutual Insurance were rather dearer. North Shore Gaslight were in request. Beyond a sale of Shale and Oil at a reduction of 2s on the last-quoted price no other business transpired, and yesterday's list was undisturbed.

On the Sydney Stock Exchange the following sales were reported:—At 1 o'clock: Bank of New South Wales, 24½, and 25½; Shale and Oil, 2s. At 4 o'clock: Bank of New South Wales, 25½; A.J.S. Bank deposits, 15s 3d. The closing quotations were:—

Companies.	Capital paid up.	Amount of Shares paid up.	Last Div. per annum.	Prices. Last Sale.	Buyers.	Sellers.
FIXED STOCK.	£	£	p.c.			
N.S.W. Act of 1892	...	...	...	106½	106	106
N.S. Debentures 4 p.c., due 1915	...	...	...	...	99	...
Colonial Sugar Debentures, 1900	...	...	...	103½	103	...
Due 1907	...	...	...	...	...	...
BANKS.						
Australasian J. S. (all paid	1,092,798	10	7	26/	...	31/
Australasia	1,800,000	40	6	...	...	...
City	240,000	10	8	75/	...	...
New Zealand	958,384	10	8	...	...	...
Com. of Sydney, Ltd., A	916,040	19½	12½	8	14½	14½	15
Ditto, Ltd., B		12½	5	...	14½	...	7
Bank of Austl. ... Preference	1,472,630	10	4½	2½	...	...	...
		10	10	5	...	...	...
N.S. Wales	1,786,760	20	9	26½	...	1	25½
Ditto, New	...	...	...	28	...	...	...
Ditto, Rights	...	...	...	...	...	...	2/
N. Zealand	900,000	5½	5½	5	2/	...	...
Ditto		5½	5½	...	7½	...	...
Ditto		5½	5½	...	25/8	...	...
Un. N.Z. Regis		2½	2½	...	...	...	...
Ditto		7½	7½	...	...	...	...
Q'land National	630,345	9	4	3	...	...	...
Bank of Q'land	800,000	9	4	...	...	...	...
Union	1,500,000	75	25	6	28½	29	30
DEPOSITS.							
A.J.S. Bank, Negotiable	...	...	...	...	15/3	...	15/6
Ditto, Jan. 1897	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Deposit	...	...	...	...	1/3/	...	...
Com. of Sydney	...	...	...	...	42/6	12/9	20/3
Q'land National	...	...	...	...	15/	...	15/
Bank of Q'land	...	...	...	...	17/8	...	...
Royal of Q'land	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
STEAM.							
Balmain Ferry	26,250	12/6	7/6	...	10d	...	2/
Manly and N. H.	100,000	1	1	6	10/6	2/	10/6
North Coast	151,743	5	17/6	4	17/6	10/6	...
North Shore	66,336	5	4	7½	75	72/6	77/6
S. H. Ferry	40,000	1	1	10	35/	34/6	35/
Sydney Gas	60,000	5	3	...	1/6	...	1/
INSURANCE.							
A. M. Fire	12,500	1	2/6	46½	11/	12/	...
City M. Fire	15,000	1	2/	10	1/4	1/6	...
Mercantile Mutual	18,750	1	2/6	20	4/9	4/10	5/3
New Zealand	200,000	10	2	12½	20/6	...	...
United	62,500	10	2	12½	20/	...	60/
Ditto, New	5,725	10	12½	...	11/	...	15/
GAS.							
Australian	681,786	6	6	9/	13	13	13½
City of Goulburn	10,000	1	1	15	...	22/	...
North Shore	82,277	1	1	6	20/	19/9	20/3
MISCELLANEOUS.							
Australian Estate and Mortgage	98,000	1	1	...	10/	5/	...
Commercial Banking Co. of Sydney	250,000	1	20/	7	15/3	...	15/3
Marshall's Pulp	93,750	1	15/	...	2/3	...	2/6
Perkin's	87,500	15/	15/	...	10/9	...	12/
Shale, new	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Scott's	993,000	1	20/	7	13/6	13/3	13/9
MISCELLANEOUS.							
Aerated Bread	17,500	15/	10/	8	...	...	4/6
Am. Kerosene	140,000	1	20/	8	17/6	...	...
Ditto, cert.		1	6/	...	...	...	...
Colonial Sugar	1,637,550	20	20	10	25	24½	25
Ditto, 5% paid		20	10	...	15½	...	...
Dalgety and Co.	1,000,000	20	5	8	20/	...	...
Hudson Bros.	150,000	10	10/	...	...	...	...
Ditto, 5%	21,000	1	1	...	...	...	...
Ilott Gravel	54,000	1	1	5	...	...	...
Sigle Tobacco	71,500	15/	15/	3½	3/6	3/8	4/
Sim's Dock					...	...	...
Richardson and Wrench	60,000	1	...	...	...	...	...
Shale and Oil	95,250	1	13/8	...	2/	2/	2/8
Syd. Exch.	30,000	10	10	10	10½	15½	17
Syd. Tramway	60,750	1	15/	5	...	...	...
Syd. Hydraulic	75,000	1	10/	5	12/	12/	12/9
Tramway Trust	480,000	1	10/	5	8/	...	...
Riverton Tramway	197,800	5	1	20	42/	37/	...
Volunteer Land Orders	...	...	...	...	...	...	125
INVESTMENT AND FINANCE.							
M'ds de Fittè	65,902	1	1	10	23/6	23/3	25/9
Ditto, new					...	...	...
Mortgage Guarantee	34,564	2½	15	...	17	...	...
Perm. Trustee	25,000	5	2/6	6	8/	7/	8/3
Perpet. Trustee	20,000	10	4	8	8/	...	8/9
Land & Estate Prov.	115,800	20	20	7	14½	...	...
Industrial Prov.	97,393	10	2	1	1/	...	...
Inv. and Bank.	19,750	1	7/6	10	1/	6/6	...
Sydney Fresh'14							

* £12 10s paid.
† With 4 months' interest.

The day's business in banking and monetary circles was marked by nothing of an unusual character. The usual sales of the week and of the year closed to-day, and on the whole trade must be pronounced to be fairly active, for while 40,386 bales have been offered 34,203 bales have been sold, the sales representing a larger percentage of the quantity offered. This is a larger proportion than the average. All good wools particularly are in request.

The banking agreement of the South Australian Government makes the Bank of Australasia, the Union Bank of Australia, the Bank of Adelaide, the Bank of New Zealand, and the Commercial Bank of Australia the sole bankers of the Government in that colony and in London, except as regards the floating of loans, payment of principal and interest: in connection with the public debt, the Agent-General's current working account, and deposits in excess of £750,000. The banks are to allow interest on the monthly minimum credit balance in even thousands of the Government account in Adelaide at the rate of £1 per centum per annum below the rate allowed to the public by a majority of the contracting banks for 12 months' deposits, but not exceeding 3 per centum per annum, nor tailing below 2 per centum per annum, such interest to be credited on 30th June and 31st December in each year; no interest to be allowed on any amount exceeding £150,000 with each bank, and should the balance in any bank fall below £5000, no interest to be allowed on such balance for the month in which it is below £5000.

Sir Frederick Sargood has been appointed a director in Melbourne of the Commercial Bank of Australia

The trade of Sydney to the 15th December, as disclosed by the Customs returns, is as follows, the figures for 1893 being also given:—

	1893. Imports.	1893. Exports.	1894. Imports.	1894. Exports.
Sept. 29	11,173,344	8,622,557	10,247,913	7,905,715
Oct. 6	249,839	1,2,651	174,147	121,747
13	264,077	1,2,274	191,276	135,479
20	337,448	408,091	191,546	260,878
27	311,097	206,790	286,793	451,264
Nov. 3	278,229	230,164	210,983	139,791
10	288,970	241,272	246,288	183,385
17	225,868	229,268	214,016	484,041
24	239,455	249,940	196,913	422,849
Dec. 1	281,716	374,998	213,258	671,186
8	247,070	283,981	287,387	472,474
15	280,545	288,031	235,074	468,093
Totals	14,461,855	13,193,230	13,135,569	12,229,604

Of the export last week, amounting to £683,093, no less than £555,286 represented wool, the other principal item being tallow, £63,370. No gold was shipped. Of the imports for the week £3487 was gold. The total imports included £2,634,641 gold, and of the total exports £2,134,553 was gold.

What enlarged measure of trade is required to give an increase of prices is a question which naturally suggests itself when everybody is anxiously looking for the improvement. At present industry and trade are restricted mainly by the want of confidence in respect to the future, both in England, America, Australia, and other parts of the world. The first signs of revival are in operation in England, where public corporation and other loans, and the booming of mining and other companies, is giving work to the manufacturers in the towns and to the brokers, directors, and secretaries of the newly-formed companies in the cities, and consequently circulating money through the general community. England, in other words, is spending a larger proportion of its capital than usual on its own varied interests; and if it were not for that, prices of our raw products, low as they are, would be still lower. For that we have reason to be thankful. But before we can get any material improvement trade in other countries will have to recover. As has been frequently pointed out, it is to America we have to look mainly for this improvement. Although there has been some recovery during the past few months, the trade is still far short of what it was two years ago, as will be seen from the following table, showing the exports from Great Britain during the first three quarters of this year:—

Exports.	1892.	1893.	1894.
	£	£	£
Australasia	14,837,000	11,446,000	12,125,000
All British Possessions	56,098,000	52,705,000	54,910,000
All Foreign Countries	114,418,000	112,695,000	106,553,000
United States	19,620,000	20,106,000	13,092,000
Total trade	170,481,000	165,394,000	161,463,000

These figures show that the falling-off in British export trade, amounting in two years to £9,018,000, is wholly represented in the decreased shipments to Australasia and the United States. In the case of other British possessions than Australasia there was indeed an increase of £1,547,000 in the two years, but this was converted into a general decrease by the reduction of £2,705,000 in the exports to Australasia. In regard to the trade with foreign countries also, the fact is apparent that of the general decrease of £7,860,000, no less than £6,608,000 was in the export trade to the United States. What is required to put things on a level with the conditions of two years back is an enlarged trade with the United States and Australasia. An increase of 5·5 per cent. in the sterling value of the export trade of Great Britain is required to bring it up to that of 1892. In volume the exports were probably equal to those of 1892, but the reduction in prices lessened the value as stated. In looking to the two main sources of the deficiency, the greatest hope of compensation is in the United States. The improvement has already begun, but it must go on still more extensively so as to raise prices to the figures then current. A larger export trade to Australasia will be retarded by the discontinuance of borrowing.

A cable message the other day mentioned that the wheat harvest in the Argentine Republic this year is so large that there will be 7,000,000 quarters for export—1½ million tons. The prospect of this and a heavier wool clip were making it difficult for growers to foresee what was going to become of it all. Notwithstanding the cheaper cost of production, the Buenos Ayres correspondent of the *Australasian Pastoralists' Review*, writing on the 15th October, says:—

Prices hardly pay the producer now, and it seems almost as though the supply both of wool and wheat will soon be abreast of the demand. We thought for some time that we had a good market for a fair amount of wheat and meat in Brazil. Flour and meat (alive, dried and salted, and frozen) have been poured in, until at last they begin to cry out in Rio that they have no more room in their stores, and cannot consume anything like the amount we send. What, then, is going to become of all the wheat yet in the country over from last year's harvest? It doesn't pay to send it to England, and it is impossible to consume it here. In another two months the next harvest, which promises to be considerably heavier than last, will be upon us. It is hard to say what will happen. Then again estancieros, who years ago bought lands out in the Pampa merely as a speculation, though they never stocked them, are now clamouring for sheep to stock them with. Luckily, however, there are nothing like sheep enough in the country to supply one-tenth of the demand, for if there were what would be the price of wool?

Part 12 of the *Journal of the Institute of Bankers of New South Wales* contains a report of the discussion on Mr. M'Millan's lecture on banking, and other articles of interest on monetary subjects.

IMPORT MARKET.

Business for the year appears to be virtually over. To-day's transactions were principally confined to the supply of small sorting-up orders. Sultanas and cleenes remained very firm, and for trade parcels of the former 5½d was paid, and for the latter 5½d. China sugar ex Whampoa was on offer, and a few parcels were placed on private terms. The greater portion of the shipment, however, will go on with the steamer to Melbourne. A reduction of 10s per ton in the Company's tariff in Melbourne was advised by our Melbourne correspondent this morning.

A parcel of 1500 bags of wheat was fixed today at the equivalent of 2s 5d on rail Sydney. Deliveries, however, are not at all free. The weather has to some extent delayed stripping, and growers are in no great hurry to operate at present prices. By cable we learn that visible supplies of wheat afloat to Great Britain and the Continent increased by 150,000 quarters during the week. The visible supply in the United States, according to *Bradstreet's* estimate, also increased by 2,000,000 bushels.

Tea was again quiet, the only sales motioned being 50 chests Indian pekoe at 9d; and 30 chests Ceylon pekoe souchong, 6½d. London Produce Clearing-house quotations for futures show the ideas entertained in Mincing-lane as to the prospects of the market on 15th November. The official quotations were:—

Good common congou: November, 1894, 8 15-16d; December, 8 14-16d; January, 1895, 6d; February, 6 15-16d; March, 6d; April, 5 15-16d; May, 6d; June, 6d; July, 5 11-16d; August 5 9-16d; September, 5 7-16d; October, 5 5-16d.

Fair whole-leaf Indian: November, 1894, 8 8-16d; December, 8 8-16d; January, 1895, 8 8-16d; February, 8 8-16d; March, 8 8-16d; April, 8 9-16d; May, 8 9-16d; June, 8 9-16d; July, 8 9-16d; August, 8 9-16d; September, 8 9-16d; October, 8 9-16d.

In sugar a fair business was being done for trade requirements. Statistics relating to the trade are beginning to attract some attention, as the time is not far distant when the Australian colonies and Fiji will produce more than sufficient for Australian consumption. The production of New South Wales is estimated at 25,000 tons, but next year a great increase is looked for. Estimating the aggregate Australasian production of the current season (including Fiji) at 145,000 tons, about 22,500 tons would be required from other sources, the aggregate consumption of Australasia amounting to about 167,500 tons annually. The margin of consumption over production is becoming very narrow, and next year, if the season is favourable, there is reason to believe that it may be more than obliterated, and production exceed consumption, leaving then a surplus to be exported to other countries. The manner in which the cultivation of cane is being extended, especially in Queensland, gives reasonable grounds for this conclusion.

In dried fruits, general groceries, &c., trade sales of American muscatels were made at 8d. Other sales included: 50 boxes sultanas, 5½d; 25 boxes sultanas, at the same price; 25 boxes elemes, 5½d; 1 tank pimento, to arrive; 2 tons canary seed; trade sales hemp seed; 50 cases Brunel fresh herrings; 50 kits Marshall's salt herrings; 100 boxes Colman's 1lb. and ½lb. mustard; 25 tons Higgins's dairy salt, 87s 6d; trade sales Liverpool coarse salt, 55s; red rocksalt, 36s; white rocksalt, 37s 6d.

Hennessy's brandy was unaltered at 34s 6d for one-star and 45s 6d to 47s 9d for three-star. Lowndes' rum and Key gin were quiet. Trade sales of Gilboy's gin, Brown's four-crown whisky, and Blood Wolfe's stout came under notice. For 50 bags New Zealand malt 6s was paid.

In kerosene business was done at 13½d to land, and 1s 2d for prompt delivery. Deliveries of turpentine sold to arrive were being made ex Troop. The market for landing parcels has declined to 2s 1½d. Trade sales of Blundell and Spence's linseed oil were made at 2s 5d and 2s 7d for raw and boiled respectively, and of Pearson, Beckitt, and Co.'s at 2s 3½d and 2s 5½d. For export 100 drums castor oil were sold at 2s. For 25cwt. Champion's white lead in 14lb. kegs 29s 6d was paid.

Chemicals were very quiet, no transactions and very little inquiry coming under notice. London quotations on 15th November were as follow:—Sulphate of ammonia is quiet. Gray, prompt 24 per cent. London, £12 5s; Hull, £12 2s 6d to £12 3s 9d; Leith, £12 1s 3d to £12 2s 6d; Beckton, £12 2s 6d. Cream of tartar: First white crystals, on the spot, 67s 6d to 68s; powder, 70s. Chlorate of potash: Spot, 5½d. Bleaching powder: £8 5s spot. Bichromate of potash: 4½d to 4¾d. Prussiate of potash: 10½d to 10¾d. Soda: Crystals, 38s, ex ship. Bicarbonate of soda: Landed, £7 5s. Sulphate of copper: £14 10s to £15, on the spot, according to brand. Caustic soda: 70 per cent. white, £9. Tartaric acid: English, on the spot, 10½d to 11d; foreign crystals, 10¾d; powder, 10¾d. Citric acid: 1s 2d to 1s 2¼d. Oxalic acid: 3¾d net, ex rail London. Borax: Crystals, 20s; powder, 21s. Benzole: 50 per cent., 1s 2d; 90 per cent., 1s 3d. Nitrate of soda: Ordinary, £9; refined, £9 5s to £9 7s 6d. The Permanent Nitrate Committee quote:—Cargoes off coast or due, 8s 7½d; ditto for prompt shipment, 8s 10½d.

A parcel of 35 tons No. 8 fencing wire was sold as a transhipment for export at a concession on £7 2s 6d. Trade sales ex store were made at £7 5s and £7 7s 6d for Nos. 8 and 10 respectively. Barbed wire was moving in small trade lots at £14 10s. For 100-box lots 10 coke tinplates 12s 9d was paid. Trade sales of Tupper's Pyramid and Orb galvanised iron were made at £17 to £17 7s 6d. A parcel of 300 casks Levitt's cement was placed at agents' quotations.

Messrs. Harris and Ackman announce by advertisement that they will hold the following sales by auction to-morrow (Friday), at their rooms:—At 11 a.m., organs, musical instruments, art treasures, &c.; at 11.30 a.m., forfeited fishing nets and salvage stock of woollens and trimmings; and at 2.30 p.m., on the premises, No. 6 Bridge-street, fixtures, fittings, iron safes, &c.

The total value of Imports received at the port of Sydney during the week ended the 15th December, 1894, amounted to £235,078, of which the principal items were:—

Apparel and drapery, £28,779; beer, £8364; boots and shoes, £4185; copper, £8000; drugs and chemicals, £5155; fish, £4499; hardware, £10,187; gold, uncoined, £3487; jute goods, £9790; ullmen's stores, £11,033; paints and oils, £7390; produce, £10,979; skins and hides, £4000; stationery and books, £10,491; spirits, £6623; sugar, £21,996; tea, £6799; tallow, £4807; tobacco and cigars, £4535; wool, £25,981.

The total value of Exports for the same period amounted to £683,093, of which the principal items were:—

Apparel and drapery, £4751; butter, £4337; copper, £8201; copra, £2113; drugs and chemicals, £1407; galvanised iron, £1854; hardware, £4439; jute goods, £1280; leather, £3685; machinery, £1293; meats, £1339; oilmen's stores, £3194; oats, £3076; produce, £3703; skins and hides, £8871; spirits, £1661; tea, £1118; tallow, £65,370; tin, £4650; tobacco and cigars, £1936; wool, £555,286.

The Customs revenue received at Sydney today amounted to £10,228. The principal items were:—

Spirits, £2330; wine, still, £96; wine, sparkling, £85; ale, porter, and beer, in wood, £95; ale, porter, and beer, in bottles, £161; tobacco and snuff, £954; tobacco for manufacturing purposes only, £67; cigars, £91; cigarettes, £125; opium, £143; rice, £101; dried fruits, £449. Specific duties: Bacon and hams, £c., £421; cocoa and chocolate, £22; dooms, wool, £10; dynamite and lithofracteur, £45; fish, dried, preserved, or salt, £125; fruits, boiled, &c., £18; fruits, green, £90; galvanised iron, £897; glucose, liquid and syrup, £171; hay and chaff, £24; milk, preserved, £94; oats, £486; oil, kerosene, £80; oils, other, £65; oilmen's stores, pickles and sauces, £34; paints and colours in oil, £104; paper, brown, £85; paper hags, plain, £21; plaster, £55; preserves, £19; salt, £40; shot, £17; timber, dressed, £18; timber, undressed, £673; tinctures over 75 per cent., £79; wheat, £246; whiting and chalk, £89. Ad valorem: 10 per cent., £2485; 15 per cent., £300. Harbour and light rates, £40; pilotage, Sydney, £49; excise on tobacco, £57; excise on beer, £185. Total, £10,228.

EXPORT MARKET.

At Darling Harbour to-day 1685 bales of wool were manifested, 311 arrived coastwise; and 236 were received by rail at Newcastle yesterday.

SYDNEY WOOL SALES.

The Sydney Wool-selling Brokers' Association report that wool sales were held to-day, Thursday, at the Wool Exchange, Macquarie-place, when the quantity catalogued totalled 9728 bales, and the sales amounted to 8040 bales, as under:—Harrison, Jones, and Dorlin, Limited, offered 4763 bales, and sold 3710 bales at auction and 1822 bales privately; J. C. Young and Co. offered 427 bales, and sold 377 bales at auction and 218 bales privately; Goldsbrough, Mort, and Co. offered 2013 bales, and sold 1073 bales at auction and 205 bales privately; Campbell, Nimmo, and Co. offered 132 bales, and sold 97 bales at auction; J. H. Geddes and Co. (The Pastoral Finance Association, Limited) offered 2543 bales, and sold 1719 bales at auction and 837 bales privately. During the week 40,386 bales have been offered, and 34,203 bales sold. The last sales of the year were held to-day, when, with a full attendance of buyers, there was, as usual, very strong competition for the better classes of wool, prices being very firm at the lately established level of values for anything above the average. The quantity of this class forward was extremely limited, and the bulk of the catalogues consisted of faulty and unskirted lots. Values for all wools of defective growth were irregular, with a tendency towards greater ease, and the same must again be said of cross-breds. For scoured wools the demand was somewhat erratic, while for medium sorts, of which to-day's offerings chiefly consisted, late rates were barely maintained. At 6½d (the highest price of the day), a bale of bright, shafty wool from the Wanga district, marked Summerlea over A98, was quitted; the same price being obtained for 36 bales of F in heart over Hillgrove, from Bathurst, and at a fraction less 45 bales of AA over West Bloewering, from the Tumut district. At 6½d also 94 bales of a good free wool from the Moree district, marked I over Rosedale; and a parcel of TW on side, from Young, a wool in very nice condition, bright and free, were quitted, the same applying to a parcel from the Monaro district marked SD over Summerlea, from the Moree district, in bright condition, but heavier than usual; and for 42 bales hoggets of the Oakvale clip, a wool of very fine quality, short in staple, and full of bright broad-haired wool, branded A8, from the Goulburn district, and a showy wool from Wanga, marked RJ under half-circle, sold to 6¼d. Bales of a fleshing and bright, nice light-conditioned clip marked F&GE over New England, were cleared. From Moree, Power Comma, of good useful quality, light in condition, also sold at 6¼d; and bales of MN over Baroona, a very nice and bright wool from Walgett, was cleared. The same figure was also obtained for 15 bales cross-bred of Lake over Arthur, a fleshing and

Funerals.

THE FRIENDS of Mr. and Mrs. MAXADAM HUBER are kindly invited to attend the Funeral of their beloved DAUGHTER, Lilian Matilda; to move from their residence, 190 Union-street, Erskineville, THIS (Friday) MORNING, at a quarter to 9, for Newtown station, thence to Rookwood Cemetery.
E. ANDREWS and Co., Undertakers.
Tel., 78N. Newtown.

THE FRIENDS of Mrs. JAMES SPRATT are respectfully invited to attend the Funeral of her beloved HUSBAND; to move from his late residence, Mountfort, 60 Great Buckingham-street, Redfern, THIS (Friday) AFTERNOON, at a quarter to 2 o'clock, for the Necropolis.
J. MEDCALF, Undertaker, Redfern-street, Redfern.

THE FRIENDS of JAMES, SAMUEL, ROBERT, HARRY MOUNTFORT, THOMAS, ROBERT, ETHEL, and SARAH SPRATT are respectfully invited to attend the Funeral of their late beloved FATHER; to leave his late residence, Mountfort, 60 Great Buckingham-st., Redfern, THIS (Friday) AFTERNOON, 1.45, for Necro.

THE FRIENDS of Mr. and Mrs. CHARLES E. RUSSELL are respectfully invited to attend the Funeral of their beloved FATHER, James Spratt; to leave his late residence, Mountfort, 60 Great Buckingham-street, Redfern, THIS (Friday) AFTERNOON, at a quarter to 2 o'clock, for the Necropolis.
J. MEDCALF, Undertaker, Redfern-street, Redfern.

THE FRIENDS of Mr. and Mrs. WILLIAM CLARKSON, Tram Conductor, are respectfully invited to attend the Funeral of his late INFANT SON, James Spratt; to move from Mountfort, 60 Great Buckingham-street, Redfern, at quarter to 2, for the Necropolis, THIS AFTERNOON.

MASONIC—The MEMBERS of the Robert Burns Lodge of Australasia, No. 1, I.C.O.I. of N.S.W., and Brethren of other Lodges are invited to attend the Funeral of our late Wor. Bro. JAS. SPRATT, P.M. Chaplain; to move from his late residence, 60 Great Buckingham-street, Redfern, TO-DAY, at 1.30 p.m.
JNO. ANDERSON, W.M.
ROBT. W. NISBET, P.M., Secy.

THE FRIENDS of the late Mr. THOMAS WHITE are kindly invited to attend his Funeral, which will move from his late residence, Victoria-road, Marrickville, THIS (Friday) AFTERNOON, at a quarter to 2 o'clock, for Waverley Cemetery. WOOD and COMPANY, Undertakers.

THE FRIENDS of Mr. WILLIAM T. COOPS are kindly invited to attend the Funeral of his deceased BROTHER-IN-LAW, Thomas White, which will move from Victoria-road, Marrickville, THIS (Friday) AFTERNOON, at a quarter to 2 o'clock, for Waverley Cemetery. WOOD and COMPANY, Undertakers.

THE FRIENDS of SIMON, WILLIAM, and REBECCA SCAHILL are respectfully invited to attend the Funeral of their late beloved UNCLE, Patrick Scahill; to move from his late residence, Rosemath, Kingsgrove, THIS (Friday) AFTERNOON, for Petersham Cemetery.

THE FRIENDS of THOMAS KILLDUFF are respectfully invited to attend the Funeral of his late beloved UNCLE, Patrick Scahill; to move from his late residence, Rosemeath, Kingsgrove, THIS (Friday) AFTERNOON, for Petersham Cemetery.

THE FRIENDS of the late PATRICK SCAHILL, sen., are respectfully invited to attend his Funeral; to move from his late residence, Rosemath, Kingsgrove, Canterbury, THIS DAY, Friday, at 2 o'clock, for Petersham Cemetery.
H. HART, Undertaker, Ashfield.

THE FRIENDS of PATRICK JOSEPH WILLIAM, and THOMAS SCAHILL are respectfully invited to attend the Funeral of their late beloved FATHER, Patrick Scahill, sen.; to move from his late residences, Rosemeath, Kingsgrove, Canterbury, THIS DAY, Friday, at 2 p.m., for Petersham Cemetery.
H. HART, Undertaker, Ashfield.

THE FRIENDS of PATRICK JOSEPH SCAHILL (Nephew) are kindly invited to attend the Funeral of his late UNCLE, Patrick Scahill, sen.; to move from Rosemeath, Kingsgrove, Canterbury, THIS DAY, Friday, at 2 p.m., for Petersham Cemetery.
H. HART, Undertaker, Ashfield.

THE FRIENDS of M. J. M'COMACK, Carrington Stores, Petersham, are kindly invited to attend the Funeral of his late beloved FATHER-IN-LAW, P. Scahill, sen., which will move from his late residence, Rose Mount Cottage, Kingsgrove, Canterbury, at 2 o'clock, for St. Thomas R. C. Cemetery, Petersham. H. HART, Und.

THE FRIENDS of P. REGAN are invited to attend the Funeral of his late FATHER-IN-LAW, Patrick Scahill, sen., which will move from Rosemeath Cottage, Kingsgrove, at 2 o'clock, THIS DAY, for Petersham Cemetery.

THE FRIENDS of J. DOYLE are invited to attend the Funeral of his late FATHER-IN-LAW, Patrick Scahill, sen., which will move from Rosemeath Cottage, Kingsgrove, at 2 o'clock, THIS DAY, for Petersham Cemetery.

THE FRIENDS of MICHAEL REGAN are respectfully invited to attend the Funeral of his dearly-beloved DAUGHTER, Elizabeth; to move from 77 Stanley-street, Woollcomnoloo, at 2 o'clock THIS DAY, to Waverley Cemetery.
T. DIXON, Undertaker.

THE FRIENDS of the late CHARLES R. OVERTON are informed that his Funeral will move from his late residence, Leigh House, 122 George-street, Camperdown, to Balmain Cemetery, THIS (Friday) AFTERNOON, at 3 o'clock, for Balmain Cemetery.

THE Officers and Members of the Sons and Daughters of Temperance (Hope of Camperdown and other divisions) are respectfully invited to attend the Funeral of their late Brother, CHARLES R. OVERTON; to move from his late residence, Leigh House, 122 George-street, Camperdown, to Balmain Cemetery.

THE FRIENDS of Mr. and Mrs. JARRATT GATLAND are kindly invited to attend the Funeral of their beloved DAUGHTER, Elsie Eliza, THIS (Friday) AFTERNOON; to move from their residence, Lewisham-street, Marrickville, at quarter-past 2 o'clock, for Waverley Cemetery. T. DIXON, Undertaker, 23 Oxford-st.

Medical, Chemicals, &c.

CASCARA—HAWLEY. Tasteless Laxative.

SAVAR'S CUBEB CIGARETTES. Asthma.

SAVAR'S COCA WINE. Restorative.

SAVARESSE'S SANDAL CAPSULES. Pure.

SAVARESSE'S SANDAL CAPSULES. Efficacious.

SAVARESSE'S CAPSULES. Membraneous.

SAVARESSE'S COPAIBA CAPSULES. Efficacious from the purity of the Oil and free from the objections to all gelatine capsules.
Full Directions. All Chemists.

A SAFE MEDICINE FOR LADIES.—The reason is they are a purely vegetable composition of Dandelion, and expressly suited to the constitution and requirements of women. This explains the great success and golden opinions which follow their use. Thousands say they speak of health, officially remove all impurities of the blood, beautify the complexion, no headache, no pain, no flushing, no giddiness, no anxiety. They make work a pleasure and existence a joy. Superior to any other known remedy.
Sold Everywhere. In Boxes, 1s. 2s. 3s. Sold Everywhere.
J. S. ABRAHAM,
434 George-street, Sydney.

RUBINAT WATER.—Beware of imitations. Genuine article bears our name on top label. E. Doubler and Co.

CHRISTMAS NUMBER OF THE SYDNEY MAIL of all News Agents, Railway and Tramway Bookstalls.

For Sale.

SPECIAL XMAS PARCELS SOLD BY GRIFFITHS BROS., opposite Town Hall, Sydney. No. 1 price 6d, contains 8lb. Caddy Choice TEA. No. 2, price 10s, contains 8lb. Choice TEA, 1lb. freshly-roasted COFFEE, and 1lb. COCOA, all in Canisters.
No. 3, price 20s, contains 8lb. very Choice TEA, 2lb. freshly-roasted COFFEE, and 1lb. COCOA, all in Canisters.
Satisfaction Guaranteed, or Money Refunded.

A BICYCLE, brand new, up to date, bargain, spot cash. Christmas present. J. C. Bowring, 103 Strand.

TO COUNTRY NEWSPAPER PROPRIETORS and JOB PRINTERS.—For SALE, cheap, a large quantity of Second-hand TYPE—Long Primer, Bourgeois, Minion, and Nonpareil (in good condition), in cases; also, 100 Pairs Empire Cases, in good order; a number of Brass Galleys, and other material used in newspaper work. Apply to J. FREDERICK ELLIS, S. M. Herald Office.

CHILDREN'S Carts, Rocking-horses, Velocipedes, Dolls' Cots, &c. Perambulator Factory, Broadway, Glebe.

BEALE PATENT New Family Sewing MACHINES, largest range work, simplest. Call, write, 484 Geo.-st.

BLACK Spaniel Dog PUPS for SALE. Champion Perambulator Factory, Broadway, Glebe.

A RETURN TICKET, saloon, to Tasmania and back in Air Ship. Trial flight, Boxing Day, Chowder Bay.

ICE CHEST, new, price £2, cost £6, Kent's pat. No. 3 Jesmond-st., off Crown-st.

LADY'S SALOON TICKET to HOBART, single, cheap. Apply Hobart, 1 Post-office, Manly.

GENT'S SADDLE, almost new, 35s.; D.B.M.L. Gun, 12 gauge, 42s.; Overcoat, 42s. Irwin's R.-rd., M'kville.

NOTHING better or cheaper in the Market. Graham's Estates, M'kville, for absolute clearance To-morrow.

Wanted to Purchase.

MR. and Mrs. WOOLF, Old-established Wardrobe Purchasers, are still giving the Extreme value for every description of Ladies' and Gentlemen's Left-off Clothing, Portmanteaus, Old Gold, Silver, Artificial Teeth, and articles of every description bought. Letters punctually attended to by Mr. or Mrs. WOOLF, 124 Bathurst-st.

MR. and MRS. MITCHELL, 145 Bathurst-street, city, oldest established Wardrobe Purchasers in the colony, still giving the extreme value for Ladies', Gentlemen's, and Children's CAST-OFF CLOTHING, Portmanteaus, Trunks, &c., old Plate, old Gold, and Artificial Teeth, Letters promp. attended. Highest price above other dealers.

OLD Artificial TEETH and old GOLD bought, highest price given. Mr. Mitchell, 145 Bathurst-st.

A GENUINE ADVERTISEMENT.—Oldest-established Wardrobe Purchasers. Articles of every description bought to any amount for cash. Extreme value given. Letters punc. attended. Mr. and Mrs. SAYERS, 108 Bathurst-st.

LEFT-OFF Clothing, Jewellery, and Sundries Bought; or lett. att. Mr. or Mrs. Gubbins, 69 George-st. W.

STAMPS.—Australian and Collections Bought, highest prices. Blackshaw, 11 Royal Arcade, George-st.

SIDE-SADDLE, second-hand, must be cheap. Max, P.O., Waverley.

BICYCLE.—Wanted, second-hand boy's BICYCLE at once. J. R. G., Herald.

WANTED, complete Set Carpenter's Tools, in chest, condition, how long use, price. M.C.L., Wahroonga.

WANTED, TENNIS SET complete; must be good and cheap. A. Y., Herald.

WANTED to Purchase, Collie Slut PUP, limit £2 2s. G. D., 19 Phillip-st.

WANTED, GREASE for SALE, at once. No 71 George-st.

WANTED A second-hand DUMPY LEVEL and STAFF, must be in thoroughly good order.
Apply, stating maker's name, and price, to
J. W. L.,
Post-office, Strathfield.

WANTED to Purchase, second-hand STOVE, Ward's, Younger, other make's; Bellows, new or second-hand. WANTED, Blacksmith's Bellows, new or second-hand, good condition. Price, W. A. B., Post-office, Enfield.

LADIES from North Shore, Manly, and Neutral Bay, walk up George-street. Something special in HOLDSWORTH, MACPHERSON, and CO.'S Window.

E. WAY AND CO.

Now, don't leave it until the last moment, for you know "you will have to give a Xmas Present." Therefore, "Come in" TO-DAY, and visit our "GREAT XMAS BAZAAR." Although the supply is large, there are always a certain amount of lines being sold out every day; so come while the assortment is large, and the PRICES the LOWEST in town.
N.B.—TO-MORROW (Saturday) we shall remain open until 10 p.m.

E. WAY AND COMPANY,
813 to 819 PITT-STREET.

General Merchandise.

CHRISTMAS GOODS.

During the present month we will sell the following lines at reduced prices:—

PRIME ENGLISH HAMS,
ex S.S. Gulf of Martaban, 1s 1d per lb.

MORT'S BODALLA HAMS,
11d per lb.

JEFFREY'S EDINBURGH ALE,
Quarts, 7s per doz.
Pints, 4s 9d per doz.

BASS and CO.'S LONDON STOUT,
Quarts, 8s 6d per doz.
Pints, 5s per doz.

VERY OLD SCOTCH WHISKY
(8 years old);
Our Own Bottling, 40s per dozen.

RARE OLD MELLOW SCOTCH WHISKY,
(12 years old),
Our Own Bottling, 54s per dozen.

AUSTRALIAN WINES,
Port, Sherry, Burgundy, Tokay, and Muscat, warranted 6 years old, 1s 6d per bottle. These are matured and bottled by ourselves, and guaranteed genuine.

ROULETT and SCHLETT'S BRANDY,
78s per case.

USHER'S SPECIAL RESERVE WHISKY,
47s per case.

SPECIALLY SELECTED FRUITS.
Ex Steamships
PARRAMATTA, OROYA, and AUSTRALIA.

Choice Elemes, machine cleaned, 6d per lb.
" Sultanas, " " 6d "
" Currants, " " 5d "
" Muscatels, " 1s 6d "
" New Figs, " 8d per box.

We have just landed (S.S. Indromaya) a fine assortment of Rumbly and Palmer's Reading Biscuits, Groves and Blackwell's Oatmeal Crackers and Table Delicacies, Crystallised Apricots, Cherries, Peaches, Pears, and Mets Fruits, French Plums in 1lb and 5lb jars, Bon-Bons, Crackers, &c.

The quality of these goods is equal to that of previous years; and for which we are now so justly celebrated.

J. G. HANKS and CO.,
448 GEORGE-STREET,
SYDNEY.

THE MISTLETOE HUNG IN THE CASTLE HALL, THE HOLLY BRANCH SHONE ON THE OLD OAK WALL.

The above good old song will be sung by many during the APPROACHING FESTIVITIES, when mount but goodwill and jollity should reign supreme.

In landarin which Old Sol is sending his rays in a slanting direction upon, around the yule log
STORIES WILL BE TOLD
CHRISTMAS TREE
have a foremost place.
AMUSEMENTS
OUT-DOOR AMUSEMENTS
in a great measure will be the order of the day, but fun, innocent merriment, we trust all will enjoy.

Who has not read of
"TINY TIM"
and his good mother, Mrs. Cratchett!
There are many such persons to be found.

Only a small bone left at the terminus of the first course.
"It's like had not been seen." at least by the Cratchetts, before.

BUT THE CROWNING SUCCESS
of the
MEMORABLE REPAST
was
THE PUDDING.

Poor Mrs. C. had her misgivings how it would turn out.

It was turned out, however, looking like a "speckled cannon ball."
But—woe the day—it was small, and hard.

Now, had these good folks but enjoyed the privileges we do, all this would have been reversed.
THE PUDDING
would have
been
LIGHT and LARGE.
AND WHAT A PICTURE
CRUIKSHANK or a HOGARTH
could have drawn!

THE HOLLY IN THE CENTRE, THE BRANDY BLAZING AROUND—
(These good people evidently did not don the Blue Ribbon;—
and
THIS RADICAL CHANGE
could have been wrought by
using
A. SOYER'S
BAKING POWDER,
had it been so widely known then as now, for
ALL GROCERS HAVE IT
at
8d per Tin.

It would be cruel to even suggest that an undue quantity was then put into it, but, if such is the case, we have within our Store the correctives.

APPLY TO US,
and the Antidote shall be yours. Indeed, as we have before said, we are like the
ST. JOHN'S AMBULANCE CORPS—
Ready for any Emergency.

If a Pick-me-up is desired, we have it.
If the Head aches, we have a Cure.
Indeed, we are very much alive to all requirements.
We have passed through them ourselves, and have learnt that Medicine like Love "is always in season."

SODA FOUNTAINS.
Our beverages are in keeping with all other goods we sell,
At
Lloyd's.
They are simply delicious.
Drawn from Handsome Silver marble stands.
Lemon, Vanilla, Tonics, Lady Carrington, &c.,
and, indeed, not a duffer amongst them,
with clean glasses, prompt attendance,
and we do not ask you for 9d., 6d., or even 4d, but
"3d PER GLASS BUYS THEM."

OUR STOCK OF GOODS
for
PRESENTS
has not been exhausted, but we have sold very many.
But like the
WONDERFUL INEXHAUSTIBLE BOTTLE,
ALWAYS MORE TO FOLLOW,
at
GREAT VARIETY.
And do not forget the
DEAR LITTLE ONES.
As the Spook "Cissies" will soon be conspicuous by their absence,
they will leave us Chocolates to be eaten by the quick.
And quickly enough will they be gone from our gaze like a beautiful dream.

AGAIN THE BIRDS.
We have often heard young Ladies warble:—
"Sing, birdie sing, and let thy song
Be of this earth, so bright, so bright."
But is it possible that our pretty caged pets will put forth their best efforts, unless properly fed?
We like good food, so do they.
We have the best SEED, imported specially for our Customers, and are partial with it for
½d per lb., or ½lb. for 1s.

We said lately we had more to relate about
ALABASTINE CREAM.
So we have.
Ladies, do not be without this useful article, if you have any caring for your Complexion; its soothing qualities make it a
HOUSEHOLD REQUISITE.
And the price is so "LOW," only 2s per bottle.
Look at the Picture of the young Lady upon each bottle, taken from life,
and one well-known,
Say it not in Gath, but formerly her face
"was like the tan."
Now, what a transformation.
Clear as Crystal.
And what few wrinkles
OLD TIME,
the thief, was misplacing upon her placid brow
CLAYTON'S SKIN TIGHTENER
has expelled.

PRICE LISTS WILL BE POSTED
upon application.

And once again we wish you all
A VERY MERRY CHRISTMAS,
A HAPPY NEW YEAR,
and many of them.

WASHINGTON H. SOUL and CO.,
188 and 203 Pitt-street.

TANKS, 400 gallon, best London make. J. T. and J. Fowler, Standard Brewery, Elizabeth-st.

HAMS, of the best quality, for Christmas trade. John Bardsley and Co., 93 Bathurst-st.

Machinery.

FRUE VANNERS wanted, must be in first-class order. Particulars by letter only to
VINRACE LAWRANCE, Eagle-chambers, Pitt-street, Adelaide.

STEAM Boring MACHINE, suit any work, perfect order, bargain. J. Buckingham, South-avenue, Petersham.

WANTED, 10-hord Stamper BATTERY and BOILER, complete, for cash. State lowest price, where situated, inventory, &c., to BORCHARDT and BUTCHER, 114a Pitt-street, Sydney.

WANTED, PUMP, any kind, and Boiler, throw 20,000 to 40,000 gallons per hour. Pump, Herald Office.

WANTED, to Hire or Buy, Steam Travelling Swing CRANE. Woodruff and Crosbie, costs, Strathfield.

CHRISTMAS NUMBER OF THE SYDNEY MAIL Now Ready. Price, 6d.

NOTHING better or cheaper in the Market. Graham's Estates, M'kville, for absolute clearance To-morrow.

Legal Notices.

NOTICE is hereby given that it is the intention of the ELECTRIC SUPPLY COMPANY OF NEW SOUTH WALES, Limited, to apply during the present session of the Parliament of New South Wales for a BILL to enable the said Electric Supply Company of New South Wales, Limited, to construct and maintain machinery works and other appliances for making, generating, transmitting, and supplying electricity to the city of Sydney, and to any other cities, towns, or places along the main cable line of the proposed route set forth in the said Bill; to take, divert, and appropriate for all or any of the purposes set forth and mentioned in the said Bill water from the Cole River and the Grose River, within the colony of New South Wales, by means of channels returning to the stream again, at the point of intake of the channel in respect of the Cole River being about four and three-quarter miles in a direct line above what is known as the First Rapid, and the point of the channel in respect of the Grose River being about one mile a half in a direct line above the junction of the Grose River and Burralow Creek, and from lands of New South Wales upon either of the rivers aforesaid, and upon the banks and beds thereof, and to construct, erect, and maintain on and in any portion of the banks and beds of, or near to, or alongside of the said rivers, or either of them, any waterworks and other works and plant for the purposes of such taking, diversion, appropriation, and utilisation of the water of the rivers aforesaid, for carrying out the purposes and objects in the said Bill set forth; to work any machinery that may be erected by the Company for making, generating, transmitting, and supplying electricity to the city of Sydney and the cities, towns, and places, or to any corporation, company, or person or persons along the route of either or either cable line to the said city of Sydney; to erect, construct, and work any machinery that may be erected by the said Electric Supply Company of New South Wales, Limited, for making, generating, transmitting, and supplying electricity for the purpose of supplying the inhabitants of the city of Sydney, or of any of the cities, towns, and places, or any corporation, company, person, or persons along the route of the said main cable line with electricity for any purpose; to work any machinery for the purpose of executing or exercising any of the powers, functions, duties, or authorities now or hereafter by the said Bill vested in or conferred on the said Electric Supply Company of New South Wales, Limited; to erect poles to carry wires for the supply of electricity, and all information respecting same can be obtained at our offices.
GEO. A. COX and CO.,
8, 10, and 11a Post Office-chambers,
114 Pitt-street.

BUTLER BROS., 60 King-street.—Confectionery, Fruit, Summer Drinks, rent 10s, best position, splendid investment for small capitalist; household furniture worth the money; complete stock. The lot for £35 to-day. Call.

BUTLER BROS., 60 King-st.—Dining, Fruit, Coffee, Wine, main street, furniture, stock, great bargain, £225.

BUTLER BROS., 60 King-st.—First-class Hairdresser to Trade, city, 3 hands emp. Call, investigate, must sell.

BUTLER BROS., 60 King-st.—News Agencies, £35, £85, £90. Call or will stand test investigation. Trials given.

BUTLER BROS., 60 King-st.—Hotel, city, good shipping connexion, takings £110, cash req. £150.

NEEDHAM and CO., 31 Elizabeth-st.—Boarding-house, 14 rooms, centre city, 10 boarders, £140.

BOARDING ESTABLISHMENT, excellent position, 12 rooms, elegantly furnished throughout, full permanent boarders at high rates, £180. NEEDHAM and CO., 31 Elizabeth-street, Sydney.

NEWS AGENCY and Stationery, railway suburb, good shop and dwelling, profits £5 weekly, any trial, horse, cart, wrong. This is genuine. NEEDHAM and CO., 31 Elizabeth-street.

FRUIT and Refreshments, shop, 4 rooms, centre city, takings £15 weekly, £85. Needham and Co.

MILK RUN, trade 32 gallons daily, trial, horse, new cart. Needham and Co., 31 Elizabeth-street.

JOSEPH and CO., 106 King-st.—Hotel, 10 miles from Sydney, lease 10 years, rent £2 10s, £300.

JOSEPH and CO.—Hotel, Liverpool, lease 9 years, rent low, proof trade, 30-acre paddock, easy terms.

JOSEPH.—Hotel, George-st., commanding corner, bar trade £80 weekly, £230. 106 King-st.

JOSEPH and CO.—Hotel, Redfern, 8 bar's beer weekly, payments monthly to merchants, £600. 106 King-st.

JOSEPH.—Hotel, close to the markets, suit smart couple with £100 cash. 106 King-st.

JOSEPH CHARLES NEWMAN, of Lismore (No. 8804), a first account and plan of distribution, showing payment of a dividend of 4s 7½d in the £ on two proved concurrent debts.

JOSEPH.—Hotel, S. Hills, £50; George-st., £100; railway station, £150. Particulars 106 King-st.

JOSEPH.—Hotel, S. Hills, £50; George-st., £100; railway station, £150. Particulars 106 King-st.

RESTAURANT, city, clear profits £10 weekly, proof trade, well furnished. Joseph and Co., 106 King-st.

BILLIARD Business, city, 2 tables, complete, low rent, lease. Joseph and Co., 106 King-st.

NEWS AGENCY, Stationery, clear profits £5 weekly, special chance, trial given. Joseph, 106 King-st.

FRUIT, Poultry, Provision, position A1, takings £20 weekly, rent 30s, £50, gift. Joseph, 106 King-st.

TAILORING Business, leading position, handsomely fitted, takings £10 weekly, easy terms. Joseph, 106 King-st.

BUTCHER'S, suburban, 3½ bushes, 25 sheep, 2 horses, 2 carts, &c., rent 15s, £70, bargain. Joseph, 106 King-st.

NO Opposition.—News Agent, Fruit, Confec., Drinks £43, bargain, takings £10. 44 Union-st., Pyrmont.

8073. JAMES BOBBIN, of Nimitybelle
8079. STEPHEN HALBERT, of Moorefield
8737. GEORGE POWELL, of Cootamundra.
8890. ROBERT ELLIOTT, of Balmain.
8930. WM. HY. WICKS, of Ryde.
8931. JOHN EDWARD JONES, of Lambton.
8936. JOHN STANLEY MURPHY, of Parkes.
8953. THOMAS J. STEWART, of Chatswood.
8843. HENRY FABIAN COX, of Waverley.
8989. WM. WILLOCK, of Wellington.
8940. MURPHY and M'PHERSON, of Maclean.
8936. ADELE BARRETTA, of PARKES.

IN INSOLVENCY AND IN BANKRUPTCY.
LUKE CLANCY (No. 15,498), a third account and plan of distribution showing payment of a dividend of 11s 1½d in the £ on proved concurrent debts.
THOMAS BUTLER (No. 15,497), a second account and plan of distribution showing payment of a dividend of 9s in the £ on proved concurrent debts, and a balance of £341 18s 9d carried forward to the credit of a second account.
AUGUSTUS MORRIS,
Official Assignee.
47 Elizabeth-street, Sydney,
17th December, 1894.

IN THE SUPREME COURT OF NEW SOUTH WALES.—PROBATE JURISDICTION.
In the Will of JAMES COLLINGRIDGE ALFORD, late of Milton, near Cowra, in the colony of New South Wales, Grazier, deceased.
NOTICE is hereby given that the first Accounts in the above Estate have this day been filed in my office, Supreme Courthouse, Chancery-square, Sydney, and all persons having any claim on the said Estate, or otherwise interested therein, are hereby required to come in before me, at my said office, on or before the 28th day of February next, at eleven of the clock in the forenoon, and inspect the same, and if they think fit, object thereto; otherwise, if the said accounts be not objected to, the same will be examined by me and passed according to law.
Dated this 19th day of December, A.D. 1894.
(L.S.) R. C. MONDAY, Deputy Registrar.
FREDERICK GARDEN, Proctor for Executors, Cowra. By his Agents, PERKINS and WILLIAMS, 122 Pitt-street, Sydney.

IN THE SUPREME COURT OF NEW SOUTH WALES.
PROBATE JURISDICTION.
In the Will of MARGARET WILSON, late of Flowerdale, Liverpool, in the colony of New South Wales, Widow, deceased.
NOTICE is hereby given that the Accounts and Plan of Distribution in the above Estate have this day been filed in my office, Chancery-square, King-street, Sydney, and all persons having any claim on the said Estate or being otherwise interested therein are hereby required to come in before me at my said office, on or before the thirteenth day of January next, at eleven o'clock in the forenoon, and inspect the same, and if they shall think fit object thereto; otherwise, if the said accounts be not objected to, the same will be examined by me and passed according to law.
Dated this twentieth day of December, 1894.
R. C. MONDAY (L.S.),
Deputy Registrar.
HOLDSWORTH and SON,
Proctors for the Executors,
75 Pitt-street, Sydney.

IN THE SUPREME COURT OF NEW SOUTH WALES.
PROBATE JURISDICTION.
In the matter of the Intestate Estate of ELLEN WHELAN, late of Sydney Hospital, deceased.
NOTICE is hereby given that a Rule of Court to administer the Estate of the abovenamed deceased was, on the 5th day of December, 1894, granted to the Curator of Intestate Estates.
THEO. POWELL,
Curator.
Chancery-square, Sydney,
20th December, 1894.

IN THE SUPREME COURT OF NEW SOUTH WALES.—PROBATE JURISDICTION.—In the Will of GO KO, late of 417 Pitt-street, in the City of Sydney, in the colony of New South Wales, Cabinetmaker, deceased.—APPLICATION will be made after fourteen days from the publication hereof that Probate of the last Will of the abovenamed deceased may be granted to GO KEE, of 417 Pitt-street, Sydney, in the said colony, Cabinetmaker, one of the Executors named in the said Will, leave being reserved for GO YOU, the other Executor therein named, and who is a minor, to come in and prove the same if he should be so advised.
Dated 20th December, A.D. 1894.
JOSEPH THOMPSON,
Proctor for the Applicant,
Vickery's-chambers, Pitt-street, Sydney.

IN THE SUPREME COURT OF NEW SOUTH WALES.—PROBATE JURISDICTION.—In the Will of CHARLES NORMAN, late of Waigelt, in the colony of New South Wales, Stationowner, deceased.—APPLICATION will be made after fourteen days from the publication hereof that Probate of the last Will of the abovenamed deceased may be granted to ROBERT HENRY GREIVE, one of the Executors named in the said Will, and PATRICK WILLIAM KENNY, the Attorney for FRANCIS BEGGS (out of the jurisdiction), the other Executor named in the said Will. CURTISS and BARRY, Proctors for Executors, 167 King-street, Sydney.

IN THE SUPREME COURT OF NEW SOUTH WALES.—PROBATE JURISDICTION.—In the Will of JANE DONALD, late of North Yass, in the colony of New South Wales, Widow, deceased.—APPLICATION will be made after fourteen days from the publication hereof that Probate of the last Will of the abovenamed deceased may be granted to PATRICK JOSEPH KENNY and AGNES KENNY, both of Yass, the Executor and Executrix named in the said Will. P. J. KENNY, AGNES KENNY, Yass. Witness—W. F. WILKINSON, Solicitor, Yass. 19th December, 1894.

IN THE SUPREME COURT OF NEW SOUTH WALES.—PROBATE JURISDICTION.—In the Estate of THOMAS HUNTER, late of Wanaego, near Bega, in the colony of New South Wales, Farmer, deceased, intestate.—APPLICATION will be made after fourteen days from the publication hereof that Administration of the Estate of the abovenamed deceased may be granted to ELLEN HUNTER, of Wanaego aforesaid, Widow of the said deceased. Dated this 19th day of December, A.D. 1894.
WILLIAM T. J. CURTIS, Proctor for Applicant, Bega. By his Agent, CHARLES BULL, Barrister-at-Law, Sydney.

IN THE SUPREME COURT OF NEW SOUTH WALES.—PROBATE JURISDICTION.—In the Will of MARGUERITE TALBOT, late of North Sydney, in the colony of New South Wales, Widow, deceased.—APPLICATION will be made after fourteen days from the publication hereof that Probate of the last Will of the abovenamed deceased may be granted to DAVID WILSON, ALFRED TALBOT, and JAMES EVEN WIGRAM, the Executors named in the said Will. DEANE and DEANE, Proctors for the Executors, Deane-chambers, Rowe-street, Sydney.

AN AUSTRALIAN DINNER PARTY.—See HOLDSWORTH, MACPHERSON, and CO.'S Window, by-tween Hunter and Bridge streets.

Religious Announcements.

CHRIST CHURCH, SYDNEY.
The WINDOW ERECTED in CHRIST CHURCH to the MEMORY of the LATE S. F. WARD will be UNVEILED by His LORDSHIP the PRIMATE on SATURDAY AFTERNOON, the 22nd instant, at 3 p.m.

Calls and Dividends on Shares.

THE BROKEN HILL PROPRIETARY COMPANY, Limited.
NOTICE is hereby given that a DIVIDEND (the 92nd) of One Shilling per Share, amounting to £48,000, has been declared, and is payable on and after WEDNESDAY, the 16th January, 1895, at the Offices of the Company, No. 31 Queen-street, Melbourne; at the Adelaide Office of the Company, Broken Hill-chambers; at the Branches of the Bank of Australasia at Sydney, Broken Hill, Port Pirie, and Hobart; and in London at Messrs. Smith, Payne, and Smith's, 1 Lombard-street, E.C.
The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company, both in Melbourne and London, will CLOSE for the purpose of such dividend on WEDNESDAY, the 2nd January, 1895, at 3 o'clock p.m.
Dated at Melbourne this 20th December, 1894.
By order of the Board,
F. M. DICKENSON,
Secretary.

Businesses for Sale.

HOTELS.
We have HOTELS for SALE in the city, suburbs, and almost every town in New South Wales. Full and accurate particulars on application at our offices.
GEO. A. COX and CO.,
8, 10, and 11a Post Office-chambers,
114 Pitt-street.
Opp. G.P.O.

COUNTRY STORES.
We have a few sound Country Store BUSINESSES for Private SALE. Reference to merchants, and all information respecting same can be obtained at our offices.
GEO. A. COX and CO.,
8, 10, and 11a Post Office-chambers,
114 Pitt-street.

BUTLER BROS., 60 King-street.—Confectionery, Fruit, Summer Drinks, rent 10s, best position, splendid investment for small capitalist; household furniture worth the money; complete stock. The lot for £35 to-day. Call.

BUTLER BROS., 60 King-st.—Dining, Fruit, Coffee, Wine, main street, furniture, stock, great bargain, £225.

BUTLER BROS., 60 King-st.—First-class Hairdresser to Trade, city, 3 hands emp. Call, investigate, must sell.

BUTLER BROS., 60 King-st.—News Agencies, £35, £85, £90. Call or will stand test investigation. Trials given.

BUTLER BROS., 60 King-st.—Hotel, city, good shipping connexion, takings £110, cash req. £150.

NEEDHAM and CO., 31 Elizabeth-st.—Boarding-house, 14 rooms, centre city, 10 boarders, £140.

BOARDING ESTABLISHMENT, excellent position, 12 rooms, elegantly furnished throughout, full permanent boarders at high rates, £180. NEEDHAM and CO., 31 Elizabeth-street, Sydney.

NEWS AGENCY and Stationery, railway suburb, good shop and dwelling, profits £5 weekly, any trial, horse, cart, wrong. This is genuine. NEEDHAM and CO., 31 Elizabeth-street.

FRUIT and Refreshments, shop, 4 rooms, centre city, takings £15 weekly, £85. Needham and Co.

MILK RUN, trade 32 gallons daily, trial, horse, new cart. Needham and Co., 31 Elizabeth-street.

JOSEPH and CO. 106 King-st.—Hotel, 10 miles from Sydney, lease 10 years, rent £2 10s, £300.

JOSEPH and CO.—Hotel, Liverpool, lease 9 years, rent low, proof trade, 30-acre paddock, easy terms.

JOSEPH.—Hotel, George-st., commanding corner, bar trade £80 weekly, £230. 106 King-st.

JOSEPH and CO.—Hotel, Redfern, 8 bar's beer weekly, payments monthly to merchants, £600. 106 King-st.

JOSEPH.—Hotel, close to the markets, suit smart couple with £100 cash. 106 King-st.

JOSEPH.—Hotel, S. Hills, £50; George-st., £100; railway station, £150. Particulars 106 King-st.

RESTAURANT, city, clear profits £10 weekly, proof trade, well furnished. Joseph and Co., 106 King-st.

BILLIARD Business, city, 2 tables, complete, low rent, lease. Joseph and Co., 106 King-st.

NEWS AGENCY, Stationery, clear profits £5 weekly, special chance, trial given. Joseph, 106 King-st.

FRUIT, Poultry, Provision, position A1, takings £20 weekly, rent 30s, £50, gift. Joseph, 106 King-st.

TAILORING Business, leading position, handsomely fitted, takings £10 weekly, easy terms. Joseph, 106 King-st.

BUTCHER'S, suburban, 3½ bushes, 25 sheep, 2 horses, 2 carts, &c., rent 15s, £70, bargain. Joseph, 106 King-st.

NO Opposition.—News Agent, Fruit, Confec., Drinks £43, bargain, takings £10. 44 Union-st., Pyrmont.

HOTELS.
T. H. FINN and CO., 243 Pitt-street,
have HOTELS in city, suburban, and country, at various prices. Call and inspect.

QUEENSLAND.—The principal HOTEL in the city, stock and furniture and lease, easy terms, owner letting same.
R. B. NICOLL, 5 Bridge-street.

BUSINESS, small, for SALE. Mrs. Jenkins, 117 King-st., Newtown.

WILLIAMS and CO., 120 King-st.—Nice little Grocery, Confectionery, and General Business for £20.

REFRESHMENTS and Confectionery.—Nice Business for lady. Furniture, stock, &c., £55. Williams and Co., 120 King-st.

NEWS Agency, Toys, Tobacco, Stationery, &c., nicely stocked; only £45. Williams and Co., 120 King-st.

CONFECTIONERY, Summer Drink, Tea and Coffee Business, shop and good dwelling, doing steady cash trade, furniture, stock, fittings, &c., only £85, terms to good business person. Williams and Co., 120 King-st.

WILLIAMS and CO.—Grocery Store, doing £60 per week, cash trade; trial, very low price. 120 King-st.

BRANDON and CO., 120 King-st., have the largest list of Hotels and Businesses for Sale in the colonies.

IVAN HENRY.—Hotel, close to wharfs and ships, suit ex captain or real g man, open to offer. 119 King-st.

IVAN HENRY.—Hotel, Abercrombie-st., respec part, suit widow or elderly couple with £175. 119 King-st.

IVAN HENRY.—Hotel, East-subs., busiest part, well-furnished gentleman's residence, £300. 119 King-st.

IVAN HENRY.—Hotel, freehold, city, pays 30 per cent. on outlay. Full particulars 119 King-st.

YATES and CO., 244 Pitt-street, near Park-street.
Wine, Fruit, Confectionery